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By Melvin Camp

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Texas Grass Is Coming Back

The big conquest — the possible reclamation of 300,000,000 acres of brush-infested rangelands—is becoming well-known throughout the nation. The never ending battle of the brush was featured in an article in the January 3 issue of Saturday Evening Post. (Reprints are available from Wm. K. Holt Machinery Co.)

West of the Mississippi River, millions of acres of once lush grasslands are now occupied by a massive invasion of subtropical thorny trees and shrubs. In Texas alone, brush has infested 55,000,000 acres, sharply reducing the state's beef, wool and mohair production. This radical change in vegetation has had a profound adverse effect on ranching operations.

But here in South Texas, many cattlemen are repelling the invasion. A combat team of ranchers, conservation contractors, Soil Conservation Districts and professional agriculture have combined forces to develop an effective counter-attack that restores rangelands to high productive capacity. The weapon — rootplowing and range seeding.

Originating in the 1930's, the rootplow, weighing from three to five tons and varying in width from 7½ to 14 feet, has proved to be the most effective weapon yet developed for range restoration. It is mounted on a Caterpillar Crawler Tractor and its wide blade cuts the roots below the bud zone. Fins on the blade, lift the roots to the surface, exposing them to air and sunlight for an effective kill.

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Rootplowing and seeding came into their own in 1953, paying off to ranchers right in the middle of the most severe drought in Texas' history. Tom Devilbiss of Pearsall can attest to this. He started ranching in 1944, buying 614 brushy acres along San Miguel Creek in the Frio Soil Conservation District. A flood in 1946 forced him to build a new ranch headquarters on higher ground and start all over again. Tom says, "I didn't have a dollar in the world. I raised goats, the only stock that could live on this poor land."

Then four years ago an SCS Technician, working with the Frio SCD, convinced Tom that a range conservation program based on rootplowing and range seeding would work. A Conservation Contractor with a Caterpillar D8 Tractor and Holt-built Root-

plow and seeder rootplowed and seeded 440 acres. A few months later, Devilbiss had the finest stand of grass he had ever seen. Today, 72-year-old Tom Devilbiss is producing 120 pounds of beef per acre on rangelands that formerly could not produce ten. He says, "I buy thin cattle and fatten 'em on this fine grass. Came out ahead even during the last big drought. Now, I'm sitting pretty. Got my land almost paid for—and that sure feels good."

Many other ranchers are realizing they can "drought-proof" their ranches and it has given new hope to Texas and the livestock industry. Sun and wind scorched brushlands, unable to utilize scarce moisture, can now be rootplowed and seeded, enabling a rancher to prosper with as little as one-fourth normal rainfall. See how this program can work for you. Contact your Conservation Contractor or Holt Sales Representative today.



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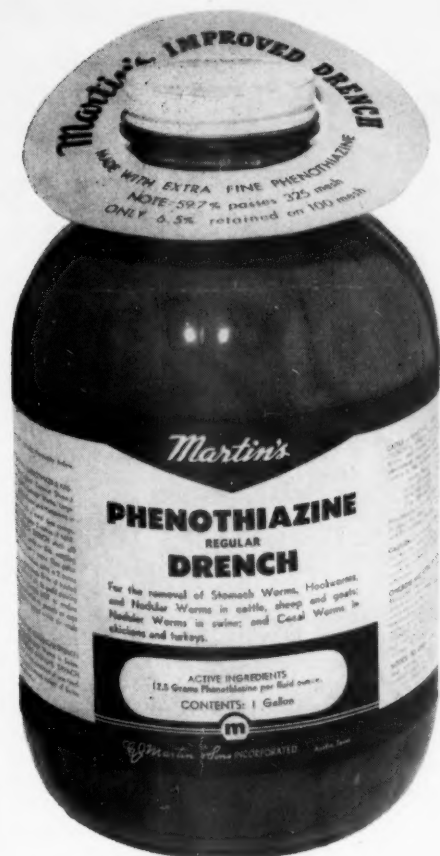
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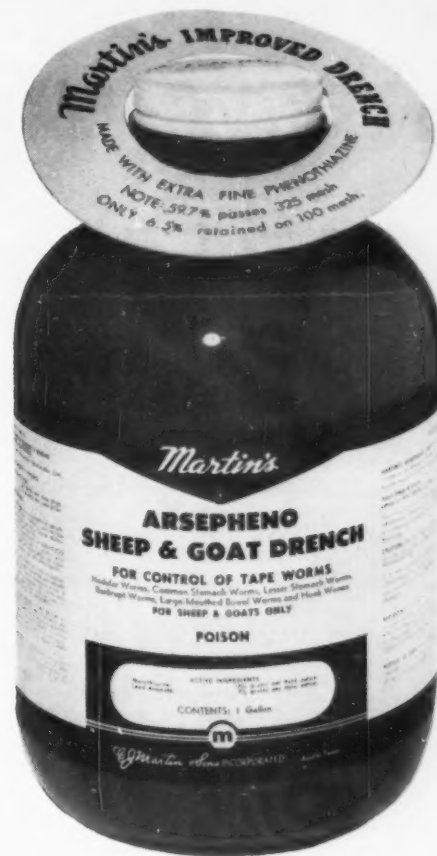
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From the Association Office . . .

ERNEST WILLIAMS
Executive Secretary

STATE LEGISLATION

LEGISLATION affecting the sheep and goat industry has kept the Association representatives busy in Austin most of the time since it convened in mid-January.

Of primary interest to all livestock men are nine bills sponsored by the Texas Animal Health Council. Those bills have been endorsed by the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association and are now (February 19) in various stages of the legislative mill.

Following is a brief report submitted to President Sears by T. A. Kincaid, Association representative on the Texas Animal Health Committee:

HB 66 by Ballman, (SB 41 by Moffett). Preventing sale of live hog cholera virus vaccine in Texas. Senate Agricultural Committee voted out favorably. House passed bill and sent to Senate. SB 41 will be dropped and Senate will vote on HB 66.

HB 38 by Bishop (SB 14 by Crump). Regulates movement of livestock in interstate commerce so Texas laws will conform to Federal laws. Senate Agricultural Committee voted out favorably. Passed by House and sent to Senate, where will be heard in Agriculture Committee February 24. SB 14 will be dropped.

HB 184 by Wilson (SB 56 by Her-ring). Providing for re-accreditation by counties, bovine TB. Passed in House and sent to Senate Agriculture Committee for hearing February 24. SB 56 will be dropped.

HB 153 by Latimer (SB 40 by Rogers). Requiring veterinarians to report certain contagious livestock diseases. Heard by Agriculture Committee of both Houses and referred to subcommittee to report about February 25. (A most necessary piece of legislation as the effective control of animal diseases is completely dependent on the Livestock Sanitary Commission knowing at the earliest possible time of an outbreak. This is the exact kind of requirement placed on medical doctors in reporting human diseases.) Maybe a letter to some of our Senators and Representatives will help.

HB 135 by McIlhenny (SB 39 by Rogers). Relating to inspection, testing and treating of livestock moving out of Auction Markets to farms and ranches. This is another MUST. If animals go to slaughter, there is no necessity for any kind of treatment or testing, but we must return only CLEAN animals to our ranges. Some more letters sent to Austin may speed this one up. The Executive Committee of the Texas Auction Market Association will not oppose this one now. We met with them in Austin and promised the cooperation of the livestock producers to see that no impossible restrictions were placed upon them.

HB 78 by Pieratt (SB 68 by

Smith). Grants Livestock Sanitary Commission authority to promulgate rules and regulations without such rules having to be proclaimed by the Governor. This bill moves the Sanitary Commission to the same status of all other state agencies. Just gets rid of an outmoded practice. Has passed House and gone to Senate Agriculture Committee. SB 68 will be dropped.

SB by Colson (HB by Green). Changing name of Livestock Sanitary Commission to TEXAS ANIMAL HEALTH COMMISSION. This was considered by all 31 member organizations of the Animal Health Council to be a most desirable change and one that would not have much opposition, but opposition has developed. The old Sanitary Commission had a very bad name in Austin and the present name does not describe the Commission's duties adequately. I would recommend letters from our members to both Senators and Representatives.

HB 31 by McIlhenny (SB 38 by Rogers). Providing for area control plan in an effort to eradicate bovine brucellosis. This was the most controversial bill as far as the Animal Health Council members were concerned, but disagreement within the Committee came up after the hearings were scheduled. The Senate Agriculture Committee placed the bill in a subcommittee and the hearing before the House Agriculture Committee was postponed for a week in order that we might work out a compromise. A substitute bill was worked out that was acceptable to all 31 Animal Health Council member representatives and this bill was approved by the House Agriculture Committee. The Senate has yet to hear this substitute bill. I voted to accept the substitute bill as I felt it in no way was contrary to the position of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association as adopted by resolution and it was a method by which unanimous agreement was restored in the Animal Health Council. Bill passed the House by a 137-3 vote.

HB 151 by McIlhenny (SB 18 by Moffett). Amending the Vesicular Exanthema law. This is a bill that applies to the swine industry and does not affect the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association. It has passed the House and gone to the Senate. SB 18 will be dropped.

One other bill is before the legislature that we should support and that is HB 235 by Jack Richardson of Uvalde. It is a new trespass law and Jack needs all the help he can get. More letters on this one as we do not have a trespass law that gives a man leasing land any protection and very little protection to a land owner.

A letter to a Representative or Senator on a particular bill or bills is always in order. One from you back-

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ing up the action already taken by your Association will do a lot to help get these bills through.

The above report lists the number of the bill in each house (SB in Senate, HB in House). Your letter should refer to the number of the bill as well as its title or what it does.

As noted in the report, HB 235 by Representative Jack Richardson of Uvalde is one that members of this Association have long been interested in. Bills relating to trespassing have been introduced before but not adopted. Let your Representative and Senator know your feelings on this bill.

PERMITS FOR IRRIGATION

The Association was interested in another bill up before a House Committee last week and testified as a member of the Texas Agricultural Water Committee for its passage. It was HB 2, a bill which would simplify the issuance of permits for irrigation from ponds or dirt tanks holding not more than 200 acre-feet of water.

The present law requires a procedure that can be very expensive in that the applicant must hire a licensed surveyor or engineer to locate the site. The applicant must announce the public hearing which will be held by means of registered mail to all persons appropriating water both downstream and upstream.

HB 2 requires that the site be located on an aerial survey and that the notice of public hearing be made by first class mail.

The State Board of Water Engineers still must issue a permit for irrigation in either case. A pond or dirt tank can be dug without permit if the total capacity does not exceed 200 acre-feet and if the only use of the water impounded or to be impounded is for livestock and domestic purposes.

Representative Murray Watson, Jr., of Mart, Texas, introduced the bill which has been referred to a subcommittee of the Committee on Conservation and Reclamation.

NEWSLETTER

Association members just recently received a newsletter from this office regarding wool preparation and marketing. These letters will be sent out from time to time and at no regular interval but when it is felt that the information contained should not be held until the next issue of the Sheep and Goat Raiser.

COUNTERVAILING DUTIES ON URUGUAYAN WOOL TOP

A hearing was held in Washington February 16 by the Treasury Department on its decision to remove countervailing duties on Uruguayan Wool Top. These duties were imposed by the Treasury Department in 1953 after it was learned that Uruguay was giving its wool top exporters preferential treatment through currency manipulation. They are duties imposed in addition to those paid under regular tariff rates.

The Treasury spokesmen contended that the exporters of wool top were

San Angelo Prepares For Largest Show

SAN ANGELO'S 26th Annual Fat Stock Show and Rodeo promises to be the biggest attraction in the event's history, with new buildings available to house both stock show and rodeo, running March 11-15.

Approximately 1,500 entries for adult and junior shows have been received by the Stock Show Office in the BCD building. Largest classification of entries is Junior Fat Lambs, which total 800.

Exhibitions and judging will be held this year in the recently completed Show Arena adjoining cattle and sheep barns. The well-lighted arena is enclosed on three sides, and promises relief from possible dust, rain and mud that have accompanied previous shows. The building marks completion of another step in the long-range Fairgrounds Improvement Program.

San Angelo Rodeo also moves out of the mud this year, with the new \$1 million Coliseum available for the first time for an indoor rodeo. Producer of the show is Everett E. Colborn, manager of Lightning C Ranch, Dublin. His stock have just completed rodeos in San Antonio, Denver and other top circuit spots. Colborn's bay, Joker, was judged by the top 20 bronc riders as one of the two top bucking horses of the 1958 rodeo season.

Stars of the 1959 show are Rin Tin Tin, Lt. Rip Masters and Corporal Rusty, of TV series "Fort Apache" fame. The troupe will perform at each of the six performances — a special treat for children at the School Day Matinee the afternoon of March 13. Adults will be able to purchase tickets for \$2 for this performance. All children's seats will sell for \$1, with no reserved seats in the Coliseum during the special performance.

Bill Hames Shows will occupy the Carnival Midway again this season, with commercial exhibits in both stock

now receiving an exchange rate which justified them in removing the countervailing duties. Wool representatives contended that the 4.1025 pesos per dollar which the Uruguayan exporters of wool top received is 19% more than the 3.456 pesos per dollar received by Uruguayan exporters of raw wool and that the 6% countervailing duty is not only justified but should be raised to 19 percent.

The Treasury has not indicated if it will go ahead and remove these duties and it is not known what action the Senate Finance Committee may recommend as an outcome of the hearings. Harold Josendal, President, and Edwin E. Marsh, Executive Secretary, National Wool Growers Association, represented wool producers at the hearing.

MARCH MEETING

The Spring Meeting of the Association will be held in Abilene on Saturday, March 21, at the Wooten Hotel.

RUSSELL WILLIS
Manager



show area and Coliseum as added crowd attractions.

Rodeo performances will be at 8:00 P.M. Thursday, March 12, 2:00 and 8:00 P.M. Friday and Saturday, March 13-14, and 2:00 P.M. Sunday, March 15. All seats are reserved except for the school performance at 2:00 P.M. March 13. Tickets are available at Rodeo Headquarters in the BCD office, San Angelo.

Entries For 1959 Show

Below is a breakdown (to date Feb. 24, 1959) of entries and classifications.

JUNIOR SHOW

Fat Lambs.....	796
Baby Beef.....	58
Open Rambouillet.....	93
Breeder Rambouillet.....	95
Delaine Sheep.....	26
Range Ewe Lambs.....	147
Hereford Breeding.....	14
Poultry.....	54

ADULT SHOW

Rambouillet.....	117
Delaine.....	47
Registered Herefords.....	26
Aberdeen Angus.....	16

ANNUAL MEETING OF COLUMBIA BREEDERS IS SET

THE COLUMBIA Sheep Breeders Association of America Annual Meeting will be held June 16 and 17 at Lubbock, Texas. The invitation was presented to Director Whitefield from the Texas Technological College of Lubbock.

It will be the first Columbia Association function in the Southwest and affords an opportunity to breeders of Columbia sheep to enlarge their area of operation and to learn new methods of sheep production.

The program will be prepared by Otho Whitefield and the faculty of the Texas Technological College.

The 1959 Columbia Show and Sale will be held at Yakima, Washington, September 21 and 22; show, 21st; sale, 22nd.

California news reports that last year Texas shipped that Pacific coast state 25,583 sheep and lambs. California maintains a strict watch on sheep diseases and well they might as they have suffered heavily in recent years. Fortunately, little of this trouble can be attributed to Texas, although Texas ranks about at the bottom of the list in money spent for livestock health.

A Start Is Being Made ... Let's Keep It Going

A start is being made with the 1959 automobiles. The highest priced cars in the General Motors, Ford, and Chrysler lines are upholstered in wool broadcloth. The Wool Bureau has a representative spending full time with these companies in an effort to get them to expand the lines to use wool and mohair.

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Rambouillet Ramblings

By MRS. A. D. HARVEY

REGISTERED Rambouillet breeders who have recently become active members of the American Rambouillet Sheep Breeders Association include: Miles Sawyer, Burnet, Texas; Edward K. Warren, Las Vegas, New Mexico; Robert Patteson, Midland, Texas; Milton Jackson, Wingate, Texas; Jesus M. Ramirez, Rio Grande, Zac., Mexico; Bob Brockman, Sonora, Texas; and Wiley Holland, Alpine, Texas.

Our congratulations to Pierce Miller for winning the Silver Shears award at the San Antonio Livestock Show.

Lloyd N. Davis, Brigham City, Utah, has sold a large number of registered Rambouillets to Edward K. Warren, Las Vegas, New Mexico.

Charles and Helen Brinkerhoff, Interlaken, New York, have sold one registered ram to W. M. Neal, Ovid, New York, and one registered ram to Lewis J. Abett, Mills, Pennsylvania.

Lynn Watt, Upton, Wyoming, has purchased one registered Rambouillet ram from Sharon Haelele, Bill, Wyoming.

Dr. R. I. Port, Sundance, Wyoming, has recently sold five registered ewes to James D. Clark, Sundance, Wyoming.

William D. Mitchell, Morris, Illinois, has recently purchased a registered ewe from Dale Hextell, Newark, Illinois.

The College of Southern Utah, Cedar City, Utah, has sold one registered Rambouillet ram to Milo Wilson, Jr., Monte Vista, Colorado; one registered ram to J. W. Jarvis & Son, Durango, Colorado; one registered ram to Pat Rose, Jr., Del Rio, Texas; two registered ewes to Jerry Warthen, Panguitch, Utah; and one registered ewe to Maylon Erickson, Deseret, Utah.

The University of Wyoming, Laramie, has sold one registered Rambouillet ram to the California State Polytechnic College and one registered ewe to Kirk Hartman, Laramie, Wyoming.

Steven R. Barbour, Gillette, Wyoming, has recently purchased two registered ewes from Robert W. Cole, Gillette, Wyoming.

John C. Woolley, Santa Fe, New Mexico, has sold one registered ram to Blas Chevez, Taos, New Mexico.

J. P. Espy, Fort Davis, Texas, has recently sold one ram to Sam Leiper, El Paso, Texas.

George Long, Basin, Wyoming, has sold four registered ewes to D. A. Robinson, Basin, Wyoming, and four registered ewes to Sterling L. Spann, Basin, Wyoming.

W. O. Dunlap, Jr., Tatum, New Mexico, has sold registered Rambouillets to Benny R. Doran, Lovington, New Mexico; J. T. Bass, Tatum, New Mexico; Niel Six, Tatum, New Mexico, and to P. H. Harris, Bronco, Texas.

URGENT AGRICULTURAL LABOR MEETING

THERE WILL be a meeting of all users of agricultural labor, domestic and foreign, in Dallas, Texas, March 18, 1959. Further details will be announced later.

It is the unanimous opinion of Texas representatives attending the U. S. Department of Labor meeting in Los Angeles, California, February 27-28, that there will be a decided movement on the part of the Department officials to place all agricultural labor under the provisions of the Wages and Hour Act. It is also the opinion of this same group that this is the first step toward complete unionization of all agricultural workers.

The purpose of the meeting in Dallas, Texas, is to inform all of agriculture of the seriousness of this situation and to formulate plans to combat such socialistic movements.

Watch for details in newspapers as to time and place of meeting and if possible be sure to attend.

H. L. Moseley of Ballinger recently sold 550 head of mixed lambs to Carroll Farmer of San Angelo. About five weeks out of the wool, the average weight of the lambs was 92 pounds. The muttons brought 16 cents a pound, and the ewe lambs brought 18 cents a pound.

SONORA WOOL SELLS

EARNEST G. WOODWARD, San Angelo, buyer for Emery, Russell & Goodrich of Boston, purchased between 660,000 and 670,000 pounds of graded staple wools from the Sonora Wool and Mohair Company, paying 50c a pound, on February 24. This is believed to have been the largest wool sale to a single buyer in over two years.

The sale consisted of graded wools from the 1957 and 1958 clips — about fifty percent '57 and fifty percent '58 wools. According to Fred T. Earwood, executive vice-president and manager of the Sonora Wool and Mohair Company, the heavier shrinking and dirtier 1957 clips considerably lowered the price paid for the combined wools. If the clips from the two years were separated, Earwood estimated that the 1958 wools would probably bring 53c a pound and the 1957 wools, 47c a pound.

This sale virtually emptied the Sonora warehouse of all wools and indicates confidence in the future.

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San Antonio Winners

CONGRATULATIONS TO HOWARD HAY

Veteran Angora goat breeders Claude Pepper, San Antonio, and S. W. Dismukes, Rocksprings, congratulate Howard Hay of Bandera, Texas, for his excellent record in the 1959 Texas International Wool and Mohair Show. Mr. Hay had the grand champion fleece of mohair and the champion fleece of range mohair. The fleece exhibit was an excellent one, with Anna Rose Glasscock, Sonora, showing grand champion fleece of wool.



PIERCE MILLER WINS RICHARDSON TROPHY

Clyde Thate, Burnet, president of the American Rambouillet Sheep Breeders Association, presents the silver shears award in memory of Leonard Richardson to Pierce Miller of Ozona for his excellent showing in the junior Rambouillet sheep show at San Antonio. On the right is James Gray, Superintendent of the San Antonio sheep show.



ELAM MILES PREMIER DELAINE EXHIBITOR

Mrs. G. A. Glimp, Secretary, Texas Delaine-Merino Record Association, presents to Elam Miles, star FFA boy, premier exhibitor trophy at the San Antonio show. In the center is Vernon Jones, Junction, judge of the show.



SAN ANTONIO LAMB SHOW WINNERS

Vestel Askew, Sonora, rear left, judge, and Mark Browne, vice-president, admire the lineup of lamb champions. From left to right are: champion fine wool, Mickey Weaver; reserve, Lanier Price; fine wool crossbred, Bill Stanley; reserve, Johnny Ratliff; medium wool, James Atchley; reserve, Lenis Gregg; Southdown, Roy Gregg; reserve, David Pape.

San Antonio Features Sheep Exhibit

THE TOP winners at the San Antonio Livestock Show in some of the sheep divisions included the following:

FAT LAMBS:

Champion fine wool, Mickey Weaver, Melvin; champion fine wool crossbred, Joan Fisher, Utopia; champion medium wool, James Atchley, Sentinel, Oklahoma; champion South-

down, Monte Gregg, Plainview. Each champion brought \$1,000 in the auction.

Champion fine wool fat lamb of show, Mickey Weaver; reserve, Lanier Price, Eden; champion fine wool crossbred of show, Bill Stanley, Sanderson; reserve, Johnny Ratliff, Big Lake; champion medium wool of

show, James Atchley; reserve, Lenis Gregg, Plainview; champion Southdown of show, Roy Gregg, Plainview; reserve, David Pape, Fredericksburg.

First three place winners in the fat lamb division included:

Fine wool, 1, Mickey Weaver; 2, Barbara Gayle Taliaferro, Melvin; 3, Debbie Weaver, Melvin.

Fine wool crossbred: 1, Joan Fisher; 2, Elroy Daniels, Chappell Hill; 3, Sharon Daniels, Chappell Hill.

Medium wool: 1, James Atchley; 2, Leon Spaeth, Fredericksburg; 3, Stanley Ray Simon, Hobart, Oklahoma.

Southdown: 1, Monte Gregg; 2,

Ralph Hansens, Kingfisher, Oklahoma; 3, Jerry Senter, Hobart, Oklahoma.

ADULT DELAINE SHOW:

Champion ram, Donald Bradford, Menard; reserve, Anna Rose Glasscock, Sonora. Champion ewe, Anna Rose Glasscock; reserve, G. A. Glimp, Burnet.

First three place winners included:

Ram lamb: 1, Hudson and Lela Jo Glimp, Burnet; 2, G. A. Glimp; 3, Donald Bradford.

Two-tooth ram: 1, Donald Bradford; 2, Anna Rose Glasscock; 3, Lindeman Brothers, Blanco.

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CHAMPION ANGORA GOATS AT SAN ANTONIO

The champion "B" type buck of San Antonio livestock show was exhibited by John Jackson, 16, of Winters, Texas, with an excellent buck bred by Joe Gardner, Junction. This is the first major show for young Jackson, who has a fine herd of 18 Angoras which he runs in Taylor County on a ranch near Wingate. H. R. Sites, Wimberly, on left, had the champion "C" type buck and champion "C" type doe. His son, Bobby Sites, had champion "B" type doe. The Sites are perennial winners in the goat shows throughout the state.



Left, Jack Klein, 12, Club boy from Mountain Home, Texas, and the champion buck of the boys division, San Antonio Livestock Show. The buck, a coming two-year-old, was bred by Jack Gardner, Roosevelt. On the right is Tom Johnson, Club boy, Junction, and the champion doe of the boys division, San Antonio Livestock Show. The doe was a kid and was bred by Tom and his sister, LaVerne, now Mrs. Ted Holekamp.

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Four- to six-tooth rams: A. C. Lindeman; 2, Donald Bradford; 3, Thornton Secor, Ingram.

Ewe lamb: 1 and 2, G. A. Glimp; 3, Hudson and Lela Jo Glimp.

Two-tooth ewe: 1, Anna Rose Glasscock; 2 and 3, Donald Bradford.

Four- to six-tooth ewe: 1, Anna Rose Glasscock; 2, Hudson and Lela Jo Glimp; 3, A. C. Lindeman.

Exhibitor flock: 1, Donald Bradford; 2, G. A. Glimp; 3, Hudson and Lela Jo Glimp.

Pen of lambs: 1, Hudson and Lela Jo Glimp; 2, G. A. Glimp; 3, Donald Bradford.

Get of sire: 1, Anna Rose Glasscock; 2, A. C. Lindeman; 3, G. A. Glimp.

JUNIOR DELAINE SHOW:

Champion ram, Donald Bradford; reserve, Obert Sagebeil, Fredericksburg. Champion ewe, Thornton Secor, Ingram; reserve, Donald Bradford.

First three place winners in the Delaine show included:

Ram lamb: 1 and 2, Elam Miles, Star; 3, Obert Sagebeil.

Two-tooth ram: 1, Donald Bradford; 2, Obert Sagebeil; 3, Bill Sawyer, Burnet.

Ewe lamb: 1 and 2, Jim Frank Swindall, Menard; 3, Elam Miles.

Two-tooth ewe: 1, Thornton Secor; 2, Donald Bradford; 3, Elam Miles.

Get of sire: 1, Thornton Secor; 2, Elam Miles; 3, Donald Bradford.

ADULT RAMBOUILLET SHOW:
Champion ram, Wittenburg Company, Rocksprings; reserve, Ovey Taliaferro, Eden. Champion ewe, Wittenburg Company; reserve, Charles Fletcher, Sanderson.

JUNIOR RAMBOUILLET SHOW:
Champion ram, Pierce Miller, Ozona; reserve, James Mann, Big Lake. Champion ewe, Pierce Miller; reserve, Pat Rose, III, Del Rio.

See the April and future issues for more photographs and reports of sheep show winners of the San Antonio and other shows. Many reports not available at press time.

Pinky Carruthers of Sanderson and Carta Valley writes the magazine that he is in the process of selling his registered Rambouillet sheep. He has been quite successful in sheep shows the past several years.



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OLD TIMERS DISCUSS GOATS

AN INTERESTING discussion occurred in San Antonio during the recent International Wool and Mohair Show. It was centered upon the trends in the Angora goat industry for the recent few years and the participants were C. A. Pepper, San Antonio; S. W. Dismukes, Rocksprings, and Howard Hay of Bandera. It probably would be difficult to get three other men together in this country with a longer record of breeding registered Angora goats. C. A. Pepper is a veteran of more than 50 years in the industry, with a herd established by his father in 1882. He took over management of the herd in 1914. Mr. Dismukes' herd was started in 1904 and the George Hay herd in 1897 and carried on by Howard Hay.

In discussing the excellent mohair fleeces shown in the Texas International in which Howard Hay won most of the championships, the quality, weight and character of the present day fleeces were compared with those of the early day Angoras. C. A. Pepper declared that: "We have more than doubled the weight of fleeces and I believe that quality has doubled also. There is no comparison in the quality. In the early days the fleece was whitish - gray, comparatively straight and strong. Furthermore, we have made tremendous progress in eliminating kemp from the fleeces."

Howard Hay declared that, "While shrinkage today is higher than was normal in the early day fleeces, the mohair, however, will scour out better and the fleeces will show much more luster as well as quality. A good oily fleece in a detergent solution will scour out much cleaner hair than the gray, lusterless fleece of the early days," he declared.

S. W. Dismukes added his agreement to the above remarks, emphasizing "If we can continue to get more density, more staple, with the right amount of oil we will continue to make progress."

All three of the veteran goatmen agreed that the action that will do the industry more good is the perfecting of breeding policies and practices that will tend to create uniformity in fleece

throughout the entire mohair industry. They agreed that buyers are seeking quality but that improved uniformity is an even more essential need at the present time. The three goatmen were in agreement also that the sooner the breeders get down to one type the sooner the goal of more uniformity will be achieved. This highly controversial subject is worthy of continued study by every breeder in the industry.

They pointed out that the trend is toward the elimination of breed types as several shows in the state have eliminated the types.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 25 through March 8 — Houston Fat Stock Show.

March 3—Golden Spread Landrace Farm (H. H. Rowland and Jeryce Rowland) sale, Deaf Smith County Bull Barn, Hereford, Texas—Landrace hogs.

March 20-21—Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association Quarterly meeting, Abilene, Texas—Wooten Hotel, headquarters.

March 22-24—45th Annual Convention New Mexico Cattle Growers Association, Albuquerque, New Mexico, Hilton Hotel.

April 10—Canadian County, Oklahoma, all-breed sheep sale at Free Fairgrounds, El Reno, Oklahoma.

April 11 — Garfield County Sheep Breeders' Association Sale, Enid, Oklahoma, Fairgrounds.

May 3—Annual Far Western International Sheep Dog Trials, Race Track, State Fairgrounds, Sacramento, California.

May 3-4-5—Annual California Wool Show, State Fairgrounds, Sacramento, California.

May 4-5 — Annual California Ram Sale, State Fairgrounds, Sacramento, California.

June 6—Second Kerr County Livestock Show — Miss Wool and Miss Mohair will be featured in style show.

June 13—Aime Frank Real 6th Annual Sheep Sale, Kerr County Agricultural Building, Kerrville.

June 16-17—Annual meeting Columbia Sheep Breeders of America at Texas Tech College, Lubbock.

August 29 — Central Texas Angora Goat Breeders' Association show and sale.

September 21-22 — Columbia Sheep Breeders Association Show and Sale, Yakima, Washington.

January 15-16, 1960—Kinney County 4-H and FFA Show.

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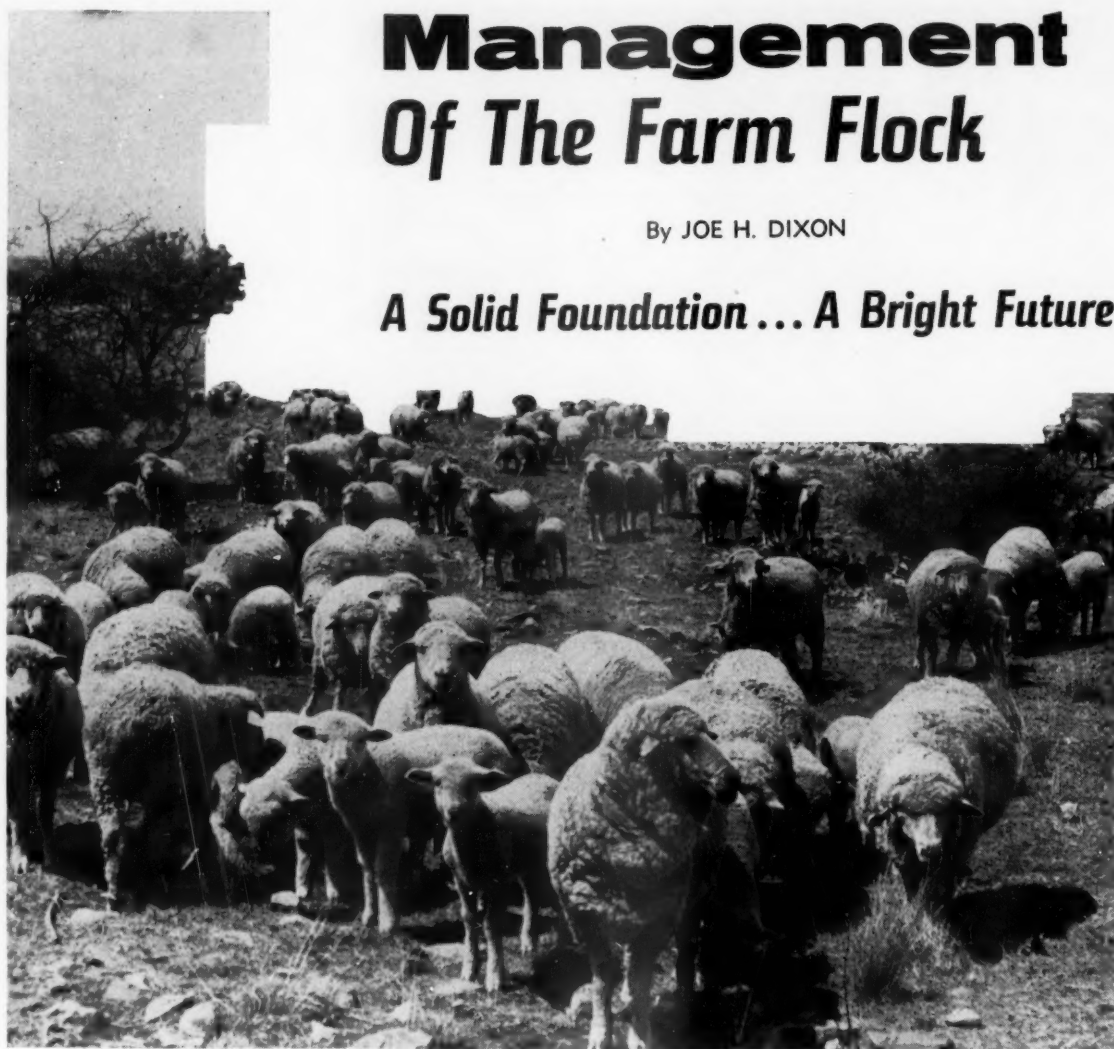
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Management Of The Farm Flock

By JOE H. DIXON

A Solid Foundation... A Bright Future



THIS IS the season of the year when a lot of major decisions are made in the sheep business. The big winter shows are on hand and the judges are called upon to make important decisions as the different breeds pass before them in the show arenas. Their judgment, right or wrong, often raises the value of prize-winning animals several dollars in the owner's estimation. If you do not think so, try to buy a ram or ewe that has just won a blue ribbon or purple rosette.

It is also the season when beginners are thinking of investing in a few head of good sheep. Spring sales are just around the corner and many decisions are to be made if you decide to enter the sheep business.

How much then can a farmer, rancher or purebred breeder afford to pay for a good ram to head the flock? The price, of course, is always a matter of importance, but it seldom pays to let a few dollars stand in the way when you purchase a stud ram. There are other things perhaps just as vital or more important than the price you pay. You should be looking for a ram that is rugged, good headed, wide and thick over the top and heavy quartered. Good leg placement and bone are important and the ram should have sufficient size.

Your ewe flock is also significant and should have an important bearing on your future flock plans. A ram cannot do the job single handed. Whether you are starting in with grades or purebreds, do not forget that quality in your foundation animals usually

pays off well in the long run. They may cost you a few more dollars to start with but the long range result of your breeding operations should be much better and far more profitable. A bright future may be in store for you if you start with a solid foundation.

Care and Management Are Big Words in the Sheep Industry

The fact that good care and management of a flock is essential to success, it would seem almost unnecessary to point out. Still, there are those who for one reason or another think they can starve a profit out of their flock operations. Of course in time of drouth or a feed shortage there may be no apparent alternative but there is little or no excuse when there is plenty of feed available.

You often hear the expression when it comes time to sell breeding stock that "fat is the best color in the world." Sheep that are in good condition are generally easy to move, usually at your own figure, while thin, poor, unfitted animals are hard to sell at any price.

Proven bloodlines are usually an important factor in a breeder's success but without proper feed and care, the sheep cannot respond in a normal manner and only a mediocre flock can be expected.

This does not mean that the entire breeding flock needs to be fitted as if they were being exhibited at our major shows. But it does indicate that the

lambs and sale sheep in a flock should be kept growing and coming along in good shape. Especially should breeding stock offered the public be presented in good flesh. Many times buyers are disappointed and disgusted when they inspect a flock that is run-down and out of condition. They are not interested in buying and move on to other flocks to make their selections.

When good breeding and good feeding practices are combined, there is no limit to how far a breeder can go. To reach the top there is no other road to follow.

Flock Owners Busy During Month of March

Immediately after the Fort Worth Show, several breeders and exhibitors rushed home to be with their flocks, while lambing. Others went on to exhibit at San Antonio and Houston. But March and April can be busy months for those flock owners whose ewes were bred late. Breeders who are producing lambs for 4-H Club and FFA boys and girls seem to think March and April lambs are perhaps the best for this purpose.

This is the time of year when early lambs should be making rapid gains and growing fast. If your ewes and lambs are running on good wheat or small grain pastures the ewes should be milking well and the lambs developing rapidly.

When a late lamb and its mother need extra care and attention keep them in a separate pen for a few days.

Be sure the ewe's milk stream is open and watch closely for udder complications. If the ewe is giving far more milk than her lamb can take while small, it may be necessary to milk her out for the first few days.

Ram lambs that do not look good enough to keep for stud rams should be castrated from ten days to two weeks old. It is also a good policy to get all lambs docked and their tails cut before warm weather arrives. You may choose your own method of castrating and docking, but do a good job and you will experience little trouble. A bright, sunshiny day is usually best to do the castrating and docking.

Castrating and docking is usually done with a knife or Burdizzo, while some prefer to use rubber bands.

Fort Worth Had Excellent Sheep Show

Jim Gray, the Fat Lamb judge, had two busy days placing the Junior and Open Class wethers on the opening Saturday and Sunday of the show. Lambs filled the show ring to overflowing in several of the classes and some truly fine lambs made up this year's show. Following the pattern set by the San Antonio Show in recent years, the Fort Worth Show crowned three champions this time instead of one, as in former years. A list of the Fat Lamb awards no doubt will appear in another section of the magazine.

The show of breeding sheep was an excellent one, perhaps one of the strongest in the history of the South-

western Exposition. It was also large in numbers with approximately 750 breeding sheep in the barn. Many top out-of-state flocks were on hand to compete with our best local flocks.

In the medium wool classes, Judge Alvin Dixon from Ames, Iowa, had many close and difficult decisions to make. The Suffolk and Southdown classes were especially well filled, and in more than one class there was little to choose between the top four or five sheep.

J. P. Heath of Argyle, Texas, judged the fine wool breeds, and found plenty of good individuals with which to start his classes. It was a fine Rambouillet and Delaine show, representing several good Texas flocks.

Johnnie Vestal and J. B. Payne were the sheep superintendents and kept things running smoothly in the sheep barn. Both are very efficient, handling the details that go with the job, assigning pens and keeping up with the awards in the show ring. Both are well liked and respected by practically every exhibitor in the sheep-barn.

El Reno and Enid Sales Close Together

On Friday, April 10, the Canadian County All-Breed Sheep Sale will be held at 1:00 P.M. at the Fairgrounds, El Reno, Oklahoma. The consignments will consist of rams, ewes and wether lambs.

On the following day, Saturday, April 11, the Garfield County Sheep Breeders' Association is holding their

annual sale at the Enid, Oklahoma Fairgrounds.

Both of these sales should command your attention and presence if possible to attend. The El Reno and Enid sales are in the heart of the Oklahoma sheep country and many of the top flocks in that section consign sheep to these sales.

The sheep will be rigidly sifted before the sales to insure buyers and breeders that top quality sheep will be offered the public on sale day.

BELT BUCKLE AWARDS FEATURED AT ABILENE

ONE OF the features of the Abilene Fat Stock Show is the belt buckle award which is presented each year to various youngsters for showmanship and achievement. Bob Rankin, enthusiastic booster of the show—the 1959 event was dedicated to him—presents one buckle as a special showmanship award in the lamb show.

Another buckle is presented by the Taylor County Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association for sportsmanship. Still another buckle is presented by the West Texas Ranch Supply for the champion animal of the county show.

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AMIE F. REAL SETS

SALE DATE

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While the sale is pointed especially for the young club boys and girls desiring to secure the early maturing, rapid, easy fattening show lambs, the commercial and registered breeder will find some choice offering, also.

Mr. Real will sell 900 wethers, 200 breeding ewes, 100 ewe lambs, and 40 rams. The breeds will be Delaine, Suffolk, Hampshire, Dorsets, and Southdown, and fine wool crossbred lambs.

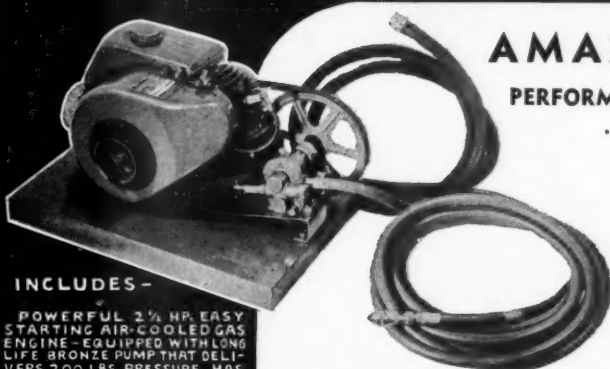
The lambs and breeding sheep will be on exhibit the night of the preceding day and will be open to inspection.

Last year's sale was a very successful one, according to Mr. Real, and this year's offering will be fully up to or better than that of last year. Some 700 wethers, 150 ewes, and 20 rams were sold last year.

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QUITE A few ranchmen have been hollering about imported meat, especially lamb, and imported wool, especially finished goods. It is well that

they are. We feel that they have squawks coming.

Raising cain is one thing. Getting something done is another thing. It is quite refreshing to have a ranchman call in and declare, "We've got to fight this thing together." How true. And that's the only possible way that any results will be forthcoming.

But there is another angle to this import business. And the ranchman should consider this also, and quite seriously.

Look at the advertisements of the Sheffield Steel Company in the February and March issues of the *Sheep and Goat Raiser*. They contain a message that should be considered by the prospective steel wire purchaser. Of course, you can get cheaper and probably inferior steel wire products such as fencing, imported from abroad — and you can save a few dollars. But, have you considered the fact that the U. S. steel producers are facing the same problem as the domestic sheep producers in this import matter?

It is to be hoped that all industry—including agriculture—can get together and force the elimination of a national policy which taxes our citi-

zens to furnish foreign countries with funds, plants, raw products, and "know-how" to grow or manufacture products to send to this country to undersell the domestic producers.

Here is a letter from a Sheffield Steel Company executive which is worth a lot of consideration from the ranch people:

"I have read with considerable interest your article entitled 'Big Battle Against Foreign Imports' in the January issue of *Sheep and Goat Raiser*. We in the steel business are facing the same problem. Our wire products business in the state of Texas has fallen off for the same reason that your industry has been affected. We have supplied the foreign countries with up-to-date equipment, taught them how to use the equipment, and now we are losing the business to them because of the wide variance in wages. We pay an average wage of approximately \$3.26 an hour, and men doing the same work in foreign countries range from a low of 25c an hour to a high of 75c an hour.

"Those industries unaffected by this alarming situation of course do not appreciate the tremendous impact foreign competition is having on our industries. However, it has been gratifying to us to know that some of our customers realize the effect of the foreign competition on our entire domestic economy and have refused to accept this foreign material even though the price is considerably lower than the cost at which we can produce the material here."

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ENCOURAGING SIGNS

We find that there are several encouraging signs in the thinking of show officials and exhibitors. Less stress, it seems, is being given to the fat—or perhaps we should say, over-fat—show animals. As one Argentinian ranchman remarked as he critically surveyed a Texas fat stock show, "You don't eat the fat. Why put so much on?" He has a most thought-provoking point. The sooner more progress is made in getting away from the "fetish of fat," the more productive of results the shows will be.

Another trend, and a most excellent one, is the stress being given to judging, not only of livestock, wool,



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and mohair, but of grass and crops and the land upon which all are grown. Range management studies obviously are broader than the study of producing a finished animal. The fact that recognition is being given this field in the training of today's youth is a most significant step forward—one that has developed rapidly in the past decade.

It is becoming an accepted fact—long delayed and reluctantly received—that the farmer and ranchman must concern himself with records. Today's competitive business scene brooks no guesswork in farm or ranch management. Records are a must. The fact that young farmers and ranchmen are being given training in this phase of agriculture cannot be too highly commended, nor can it be overstressed.

Agriculture is fast becoming a highly technical vocation—one which condones few errors. Time wasted in futile activities should be devoted to those which pay off in dollars and cents and general happiness.

DOGS — AND POISON

DOGS IN West Texas, and probably in most other areas with a livestock population, are a continuing nuisance. One ranchman near Miles in West Texas reported long-aged calves coming up horribly torn about the head. He thought he had a real varmint problem on his hands until a neighbor saw and shot one of two dogs attacking the cattle. One was a large bulldog, the other a shepherd or German Police dog—he's the one that got away.

A sheepman in West Texas recently declared that about the only possible way he could protect his livestock from town dogs was through poisoning. He said further that it made not one speck of difference whether the town people liked it or not that poison was going to be on his land for the dogs that came on his place. "Those town dogs have cost me hundreds of dollars in spite of everything I can do and I have seen few dogs worth their keep. The children's pets should be kept at home—away from home without a leash they are a nuisance—and that goes for all size dogs, big, little and ordinary."

Few ranchmen like the idea of indiscriminate use of poison and none the use of poison off their own land. Recently a sheepman, quite bitter over a severe loss in his sheep flock from dogs, declared that he had been poisoning dogs on his own place for over 25 years, "but I've never put out a bit off my land and I don't believe many, if any, ranchmen do, either. Normally, the ranchman has a definite object in mind—a dog or dogs he

has seen on his land or bothering his livestock. And the ranchman is most likely to be expert at the job—he knows what he is doing."

Almost every ranchman discussing this situation brings out the point that indiscriminate poisoning of town dogs by poison distributed in town is most likely to be the work of some town man. "Ranchmen know how to use poison and the animal most likely will die on the spot, while it seems that dogs poisoned in town appear to be the work of someone with little knowledge of the danger of poison or what kind to use."

They are emphatic that they don't want the blame for such city poisoning jobs. "Blame the neighbor who has become tired of the continual howling of the next door pup—the danger of a biting dog or one who turns over the trash cans or messes up the lawn and shrubbery. Then the blame will more than likely be placed where it should be—not on the ranchman trying to protect his property and livelihood."



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TOP JUDGING TEAM

Top sheep judging team in the 1959 National Western's intercollegiate livestock judging competition was from Panhandle A. & M., Goodwell, Oklahoma. Shown, from left, are team members Ronald Cramer, Joe Forbes, Estel Eggleston, John Thomas, Waymon Montgomery, Lyman H. Brown; team coach David R. Pratt; Roy A. Gilman, representing the American Hampshire Sheep Association, donor of the trophy won by the Panhandle A. & M. team.

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Champions at Fort Worth

The Southwestern Exposition sheep show was fully up to quality of recent years, although bad weather adversely influenced the attendance. On this page is a pictorial review of the champions.



Walter Stelzig is shown holding the champion Suffolk ram bred and exhibited by Athenia Farms near Fort Worth.



Glenn Sanders is shown holding the champion Suffolk ewe of Glenn Sanders & Son, Roger, Mullin, Texas.



James Mann of Big Lake is shown holding champion Rambouillet ram bred by V. I. and Miles Pierce.



Ovey Taliaferro of Eden with his champion Rambouillet ewe.



Billy Rayden is shown with champion Hampshire ewe of Mrs. Ammie E. Wilson of Plano.



Harvey Lindeman is shown holding the champion Delaine ram of A. C. Lindeman & Sons of Blanco.

WEST TEXAS LAMBS SCORE IN COWTOWN

VIRGINIA HARRAL, 15, of Rankin, exhibited the champion fine wool lamb at the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show in Fort Worth. Her lamb won first in the junior show and then defeated the open class champion lamb exhibited by Edd Schrick of Frederick, Oklahoma.

Bud Poage, 17, of Rankin, had the junior champion fine wool lamb, but he was defeated in the competition for overall fine wool championship by the open show winner, fed by Eugene Williams of Mullin.

Roger Sanders of Mullin showed the champion medium wool lamb—another open class winner.

First place Hampshire lamb in the open show was exhibited by Edward Bredemeyer of Winters. Bredemeyer also showed the first place pen of three Hampshires. The top pen of three Corriedales was exhibited by Milford Blanton of Santa Anna.

Top winners in the junior sheep show included:

Fine Wool Lambs — 1st, Poage; 2nd, Jack Weaver, Melvin.

Medium Wool Lambs—1st, John Bill Oman, Stamford; 2nd, Monte Nevills, Big Lake.

Southdown Lambs — 1st, Virginia Harral, Rankin, 2nd, Ann Moore, Rankin.

Best 15 Fine Wool Lambs — 1st, Santa Anna FFA; 2nd, Reagan 4-H.

Best 15 Medium Wool Lambs — 1st, Upton 4-H; 2nd, Winters, FFA.

Walter Stelzig of Schulenburg, top, and Bobby Penny, Winters, below, showed champions in the Southdown class.

(Other pictures were not available.)

Warning Against Double-Cut Shearing

WOOL INTERESTS of the nation are striving to get the wool growers to pay close attention to shearing that "wasteful double cuts" are eliminated as much as possible. The open letter follows:

To the Woolgrowers:
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Shearing time is fast approaching. Very shortly, wool buyers will be examining your newly-shorn wools. The condition of those wools affects the price the buyers will be willing to pay you.

Now is the time to insure that you get every cent of value possible. You can do this by seeing that your shearers make one full shearing cut and stop the wasteful double cuts or miss-clips as much as possible.

These double cuts represent a substantial item of expense to the wool manufacturer as the short fibers disappear down the drain of the scouring machines or result in excessive wastes from subsequent processing.

Give yourself the best advantage by stopping a costly practice.

Safeguard your market, safeguard a higher price, safeguard a higher incentive payment by giving this matter your serious attention.

Remember that even though newly-shorn sheep may appear to have too much wool remaining on their bodies, that excess fiber will result in a longer-stapled, more valuable fleece next season.

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THE BREEDER HAS BIG JOB . . .

Development of the Registered Angora Buck from Birth To Sale Age

By MELVIN CAMP



What is the future of this kid? Will he live long enough to nurse for the first time, and if he does, will his mother give him adequate milk so he may grow rapidly? Will he be of such quality that he is worthy of registration? Will he be developed in 16 to 20 months where he will bring the price his heredity demands? The answers to these questions are to a great extent controlled by the breeder who must be a range conservationist, feeder, bookkeeper, veterinarian, and salesman as well as a breeder.



Kids from does which are good milkers grow rapidly their first five to six months of life. Defects in teats of does should be noted when the kid is ear-notched for registration purposes. This doe shows an excellent udder with small, well spaced teats. There is less danger from teat injuries from a well balanced udder that is high off the ground. It is not subject to constant irritation which often results in mastitis infections.

THE RAISING of registered Angora bucks for the purpose of selling as breeding stock can be very profitable if the breeder is willing to pay strict attention to all phases of the program. He must be a feeder, veterinarian, bookkeeper, range conservationist and above all a salesman as well as being a good breeder.

The breeder produces an annual offering of bucks which he expects to market at from 16 to 20 months of age. When offered for sale the buck must be well developed and show thriftiness, indicating that he will be able to exist on the range along with a group of does, serve each one as she comes in heat, and cause her to conceive due to the fact he was fertile—providing she is also fertile and in condition to conceive. At sale age the buck should weigh not less than 80 pounds and often weighs 120 pounds with an average of about 100 pounds. Breeders start offering bucks for sale from about June 15 and on up until all are sold in the fall.

In developing the registered Angora buck from birth to sale age we find that the program is broken down into about three phases. These phases are: (1) From birth to weaning age, (2) From weaning age until second shearing, which is February 1, (3) From second shearing—February 1—until sale time. This is the time when he is approaching maturity and puts on his sale fleece.

FIRST PHASE—FROM BIRTH TO WEANING AGE

Does Need to be in Good Condition When Kids are Born

From the time a doe conceives until the kid is born has a marked effect upon his later life. The doe should be kept in good condition during the breeding season and on up until the kid is weaned—and for that matter, she should be in good condition all of her life. If the doe is receiving the proper feed before the kid is born she is more likely to carry the fetus in her womb the normal gestation period of about 148 days and then drop a strong, live kid. Angora does are quite subject to aborting when their body requirements are not met with the proper feed. A kid that is strong and healthy when born from a well nourished doe can withstand cold weather



The condition of the doe should be maintained for the major part on native range forage or small grain fields with some supplemental feeding. The doe should be kept in good condition through breeding season, during the five months gestation period, kidding time, and on up until the kid is weaned. If the doe is receiving the proper feed before the kid is born she is more likely to drop a live, strong kid normally and her milk supply will be good, so that he can grow rapidly.

better, endure a longer period before receiving his first milk, and continue growth without interruption.

The does' condition should be maintained for the major part on native range forage or small grain fields with some supplements of hay or concentrates. Proper range management plays an important part in whether or not raising registered Angora bucks for sale is profitable since too often animals on depleted ranges cost too much in supplemental feeds.

Kids from does which are good milkers grow rapidly their first five to six months of life, but a doe cannot produce a large supply of milk unless she has the feed to do it with. Well managed rangelands furnishing lots of oak leaves, winter grasses and weeds, along with dry grasses, or green

forage from river bottom pastures will furnish most of her requirements. Small grain fields are also excellent and may be grazed all during kidding and late in the spring until it is time to let the forage grow to make seed for harvest. Concentrates such as high protein cottonseed meal or pellets, whole oats, carbohydrate rich yellow corn, and roughages such as alfalfa, hegari, or sudan grass hay are good supplements to feed the does when running on dry ranges or green pastures. Alfalfa hay, small grain fields, and yellow corn furnish large amounts of vitamin A, which is often somewhat lacking in dry grasses and is needed by the does.

When ranges are depleted or the terrain is such that handling is diffi-



Paint branding of does is a practice carried out by many registered breeders who must know correctly the mother and sire of each kid born. Prior to the time the first kids are dropped all does are shorn slick. A number is painted on the side of each doe (usually both sides). Her flock number is recorded by checking the notches and tattoo in her ears along with the paint number. Herders then paint the same number as the doe has on the kid when it is born. The breeder then may notch up the kids without the doe being present by getting her flock number from the record. Later the number of the sire she was mated with is added to the record.



After all does in the flock have been paint numbered herders may put the same number on each kid that its mother has. This makes it easier for the breeder to notch up and record a larger number of kids each day. Many warehouses handling the supplies for sheep and goats, handle the special aluminum brands which come in both numbers and letters. Enamel paint is the best for branding since it stays longer on the mohair, but disappears long before the fall shearing.

cult and it is desired to have the does close at hand during kidding they may be confined to a pen and fed concentrates from a trough and hay in a rack. The feeds need to be fairly high in protein. Alfalfa hay is often one of the most economical feeds and may furnish the bulk of the diet with concentrates as supplements. This method of pen confinement is more costly and will run from six to eight cents per head daily or \$2.10 monthly as compared to about 55 cents per head when supplements are fed on the range.

Kids Confined to Pen During Early Life

Most registered breeders kid their does by the pen method, where the does are run on the range and the kid is kept in a pen until he is strong enough to follow on the range. The does are brought in each night for the kids to nurse. The kids may be either staked in the pen with a small box for shelter for each and a large community shed for all the does in case of rainy weather, or they may be run loose, sharing the shelter of the shed with the does.

Make Registration Identification While Still Confined to Pen

While the kids are still being retained in the pen is the time for the registration identification to be put in their ears. It is usually done by notching the ears; the notches representing numbers according to their position in the ear and whether it is the left or

right ear. Later this number is tattooed on the inside of the ear.

As each kid is notched a record of the flock number of his mother is made along with his assignment number. Later the record is completed by adding the sire's number. Some breeders use a different color paint on the horns of the does for the various sires in their breeding program. Others just take down all the numbers of the does as they are placed in one of the breeding traps. Where hand breeding is practiced the sire's number and the date of service is recorded for each

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Notching the newborn kid for registration purposes is a relatively painless operation. It should be done as soon after birth as possible so that the true mother and sire will be known in case the kid and doe become separated later on.



The young kid should be ear-notched for registration purposes just as soon after birth as possible. When he is allowed to nurse is usually an excellent sign of ownership by the doe. The aged doe, as shown in the picture, should be given special attention. Often does are retained in a registered flock because they have produced superior offspring. The breeder feels that just one more kid from such a doe is worth the extra attention required. If the doe is unable to take care of the kid properly he may be fed milk from a bottle or placed on a foster mother. When this is done, notes must be made in the record stating which doe is his real mother and which is the foster mother. The real mother determines his heredity and is the one he must be registered to.



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doe. This is often handy to have, since the approximate date the doe will drop her kid can be calculated. In case of an extremely valuable doe, extra precautions may be taken to be sure that the kid is not lost at birth.

There are several methods used to be sure of getting the right number of the mother and kid recorded together. One method is to notch the kids in the evening as the does are turned in. When the does pair off with their kids and let them nurse the mother and offspring identification is positive.

Another method is to paint a large number on the side of all the does after shearing. A complete record of all does' flock numbers, along with the number on their side is made. Herders then paint the same number on the kid when he is born. The breeder may then notch up the kids without the doe being present by getting her flock number from the record made when she was painted numbered.

A third method is to place each doe and kid in a small stall by themselves when brought in off the range and keep them there until notching is completed the following day. Some breeders even go out on the range to do their notching where he finds the newborn kid and its mother. While

the notches are being put in the kid's ear the doe will usually come close enough where the notches in her ears are plainly visible and her flock number is determined. When this method is used the doe should be shorn slick or tagged with the shearers removing the hair from the face and over the ears as well as from the udder. The notches in the doe's ears should have been placed below the horizontal fold in the ear so that as the ears droop the notches are plainly visible. If the ear has been damaged during shearing or from wire cuts, making her notches difficult to read correctly, then she must be caught and the tattoo number read from the inside of the ear.

Some does tend to be of a wild or nervous nature, often running away from their kids on the range even when a familiar man approaches. Does in most registered flocks are handled enough so that when one continues to show this wild or nervous nature a record should be made and this may determine whether or not she is culled from the flock later on, or her offspring is retained as a replacement as either a breeding doe or stud buck.

Some breeders notch their kids daily and just as soon as dry, keeping an exact record of birth date. This is often important later on when the buck is grown, since a late-born kid is often at a disadvantage when compared with one which was dropped early and the prospective buyer may make allowances for a difference in size and maturity at sale age.

Separate Twins When Foster Mothers Are Available

Kidding by the pen method enables

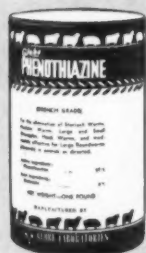
the breeder to observe his does and kids carefully. Notes may be made about each doe, such as those which are the best mothers—those which are good milkers and show a strong desire to be with the kid. Teat defects can also be noted since these may be transmitted through the buck to other flocks. Many kids are often born twins and when a doe of average hardiness produces twins and one or both are bucks they should be separated and one placed on a foster mother if one is available. It is the exception rather than the rule that kids born twins and raised as such will mature as rapidly as single-born ones unless special care is given the doe. When a kid is taken from his real mother a note should be made in the record. He must be registered to his real mother, since she is what determines his heredity. The record in the pen book of his foster mother must also be made in case he should become separated from her and there is a need to get them back together.

Separate Does With Buck Kids From Flock When Turned on Range

The time when the does and kids are to be turned from the kidding pen affords a good opportunity to separate those with buck kids from the remainder of the flock. This will enable the breeder to give the buck kids special attention and if the condition of the range or fields where he runs the does and buck kids until weaning time is such that supplements are required he can keep his operating expenses down. Doe kids on average to good range will usually mature without supplemental



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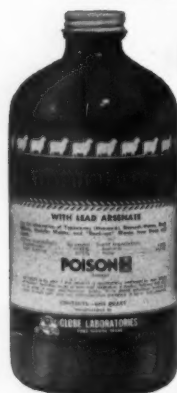
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feed, but it is to the breeder's advantage that he feed supplements on the range to the does and buck kids right on up to weaning time. A daily feeding of one-fourth to one-half pound of 41% cottonseed meal in either meal or pellet form or 21% range cubes is enough to give the doe so she will give a good milk supply. A careful range check will give the breeder an idea as to how many does and kids the pasture will accommodate without danger of overgrazing. Small grain fields left unharvested, irrigated alfalfa, hubam clover or sudan grass fields make ideal grazing and the kids make rapid growth on them. When grazed on fields of small grain left unharvested the buck kids learn to eat grain and lessen the time it takes of getting them on feed after weaning.

After the kid learns to eat forage on lush pastures he does not exert quite as heavy a demand on the doe for milk. Feeding of supplements on these fields will depend upon the stage of growth of the plants, whether or not the oats produced a good grain crop, and if the legumes and sudan have become too stemmy. The field of oats may require slightly less protein supplements when mature, and the alfalfa, clover, and sudan grass may not require any at all, providing there is adequate acreage to accommodate all of the does and buck kids. A good field of oats will graze about seven does and their kids per acre for about four months. About the same acreage is required for the alfalfa, clover, and sudan grass fields.

A good supply of water and salt fed free choice is essential, whether the does are grazed on rangeland or fields.

When there is enough field grazing available for all of the does with both buck and doe kids the breeder has an opportunity to rest some of his rangeland. When rangeland has been rested during the growing season of the desirable grasses and forbs it makes an ideal range for breeding the does in the fall.

Supplemental Feeding Will Increase Mohair Yield

By feeding supplements on the

Fields of irrigated hubam clover, alfalfa, oats left unharvested, or sudan grass make excellent grazing for does and their kids. The kids will make rapid growth due to the better milk yield, and as they mature they will learn to eat forage, lessening the drain on the doe for milk. When there is enough acreage available for all the does and their kids the breeder has an opportunity to rest some of his rangeland. When rangeland has been rested during the growing season it makes an ideal range for breeding the does in the fall. Does and their kids grazed on lush fields or good ranges and fed supplements until weaning time produce heavier fleeces as well as stronger bodies. The fleece weight of the doe may be increased as much as two pounds per head and the kid fleece one and one-half pounds at the fall shearing. The increased mohair yield will about offset the cost of the supplemental feed, and in addition you will have a doe which is ready to breed again in the fall, whereas one in poor condition may be slow to come in heat or may not even breed at all. A good field such as the one above of irrigated hubam clover will graze about seven does and their kids per acre.

range or grazing fields of good stands of forage the fleece weight of the doe may be increased as much as two pounds per head and the kid's fleece one to one and one-half pounds at their fall clip. The increased mohair yield will about offset the cost of the supplemental feed, and in addition the breeder will have a doe which is ready to breed again in the fall, whereas one in poor condition may be slow to come in heat or may not even breed at all.

Hot Weather Brings on Attacks From Parasites

During warm weather the doe is

subjected to continuous attacks from external parasites such as ticks, lice and screwworms, along with internal infestation of tape and stomach worms which cause great economic losses, even though there may be no actual death loss. During cooler weather these parasites usually do not do as much damage as in the warm months. As a group, they do their greatest damage during the warm season and infest the Angora goats the year around, with the exception of the screwworm, which usually doesn't show up until it gets warm in the

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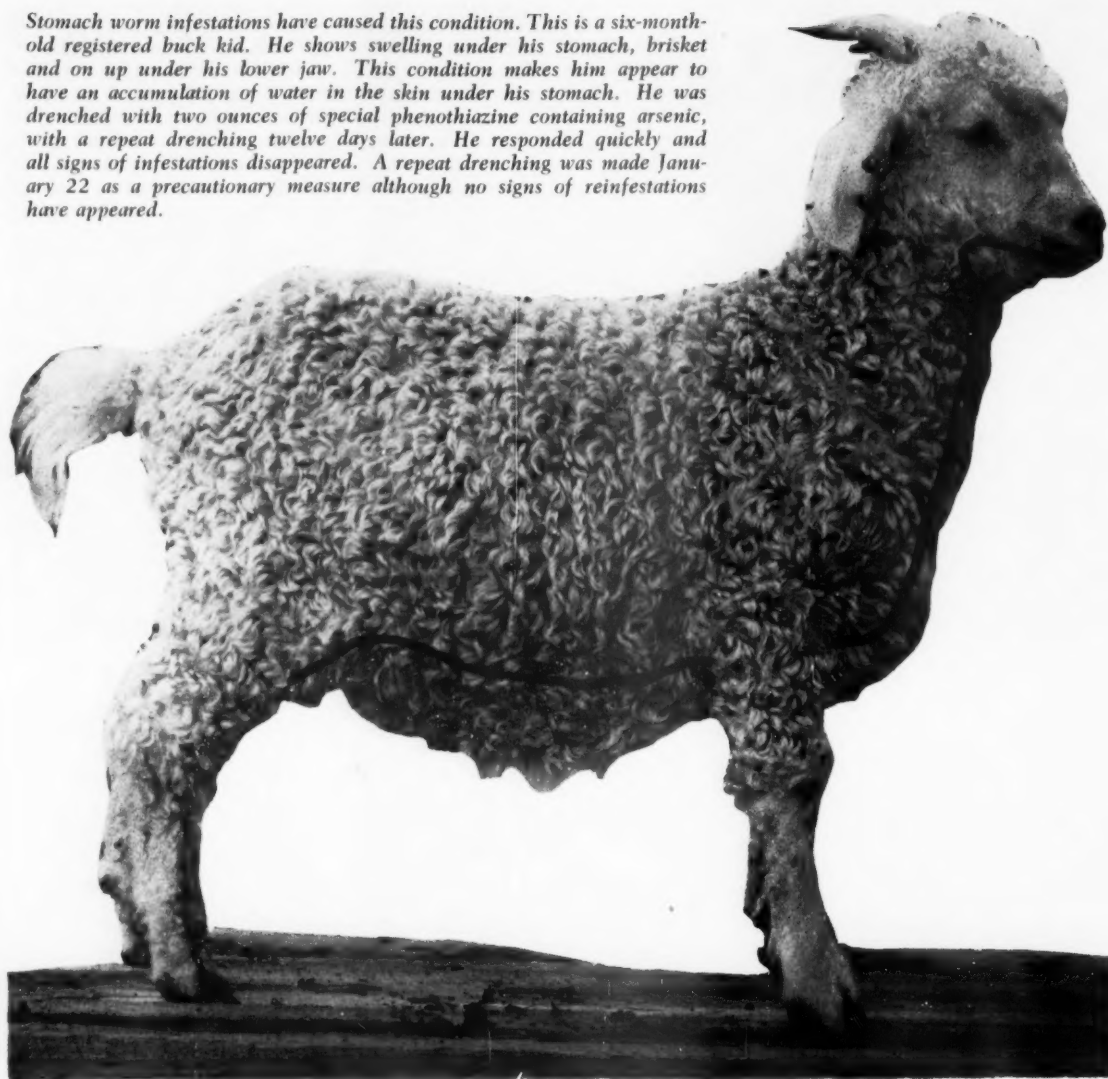
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spring, and ceases to be a problem after a spell of below freezing weather in late fall or early winter.

Dip Does and Kids in Late Spring for Lice and Tick Control

Lice, and in some localities, ticks, do much damage to the mohair as well as cause constant irritation to the doe and kid. When the doe is lousy she is constantly biting and hooking with her horns. She will often break the skin, causing a small amount of blood to ooze out. This is an ideal spot for screwworm infestations to start. The kid also suffers the same annoyance. When lousy, the doe will not graze properly and her milk yield and mohair production will be lowered. The growth of the kid, in turn, is affected.

To control the lice and ticks, the does and kids should be dipped in late May to mid-June when they have enough hair on so that the residual effect of the dip will extend throughout the remainder of the fleece-growing period. Earlier dippings are usually not necessary if the previous fall dipping was effective.

There are several dips on the mar-

ket that do an excellent job. When reference is made to a dip it is to a chemical mixture or compound which is applied to the outside of the body, giving the animal and its fleece a thorough soaking regardless of whether it is applied as a spray or the animal is immersed in a vat.

When selecting a dip, the first question to ask is "will it harm the mohair or animal?" and the second is "will it control lice?" Some of the dips contain common ingredients such as sulphur and arsenic as killers of lice and ticks. Others contain rotenone, DDT, Malathion, and several new chemicals that are quite effective as killers of lice. To some dips pine tar is added as a vehicle to keep the killing agent attached to the mohair for longer periods of time. Although pine tar is quite effective, it should not be used, since it lowers the grade of mohair.

Most of these dips may be used in a vat or as a spray. Some are recommended as a spray only, whereas the others would be too costly if used as a dip, due to the large amount required to charge a vat. The right concentration of the mixture is the most important part of the operation, since weak solutions will be ineffective, and if too concentrated, ill effects may be suffered by the does and kids. In some instances death may even ensue. After dipping, the does and kids should be carefully observed to see that the does do not wean their kids because of their teats being irritated,

due to chafing, sunburn, or chemical burn.

Internal Parasites Infest Does and Kids Heavily in Warm Season

Parasites which infest the Angora goat internally tend to build up in large numbers in the soil where the does and kids are run on the same range year after year. The greatest infestations in the Angora goat by the stomach worms usually come from the animals eating green forage. The adult worms crawl up on the leaves of the plant and are taken into the stomach when the forage is eaten. The tape worm infestation probably enters the animal's stomach when he consumes the small grass mite—the intermediate host—that is on green forage. These worms get to be a great problem for registered breeders where they confine more Angora goats of all ages and sexes in small areas for easier handling. Soil infestations are cut down somewhat by proper rotation of pastures, giving each one a long enough rest for some of the worms to die out because they didn't get to infest an intermediate host for mating and reproduction. Due to the many classes of animals, such as kids, buck kids, yearling does, mature breeding does, sale bucks, breeding bucks, and hospital cases that must be kept separate, the breeder usually does not have enough pastures to enable him to rotate his pastures.

Internal parasites often infest does

and their young kids before the breeder realizes it. When the symptoms show up clearly he should immediately give the animals medication to control the parasites. The doe may be the first to show the symptoms, while the kid may not have a heavy enough infestation, and it won't show up in him until the milk flow of the doe is lowered in the latter part of the summer or at weaning time. The stomach worms produce an anemic effect by feeding on the blood in the stomach wall or lining of intestines where they appear. For each parasite there are usually several wounds, each one productive of some bleeding. Upon close examination of the lips, gums, and eyelids of the animal, it will be noted that they are very pale and blood veins usually easily seen do not show up clearly. There will be swelling under the stomach, brisket, and on up under the lower jaw of the goat, giving the impression that the skin is filled with water. These latter symptoms may not show up in some animals which are heavily infested. Other symptoms are loss of appetite, general unthrifty condition, and scouring. When the animal is in full fleece and is suspected of being worm-infested he should be compared with one which is free. When infested, the mohair under the belly will hang lower to the ground than normal.

Tapeworms infest Angora goats more frequently than most people are led to believe, since their attention is usually focused on stomach worms as being the main parasites. These worms do their greatest damage in young goats, although they affect older goats as well. The infestations are usually greatest during the latter part of the summer and continue on until the young goats have matured sufficiently to throw off their effects if treatment wasn't applied or the animal died. When infested, the animals will move short distances with short, stiff steps, probably due to muscular fatigue, then collapse. Older goats manifest a severe diarrhoea, loss of condition, weakness, and in instances, high mortality.

Kids weaned early in life, usually three months or older, make their way on the range if free of worms, but one infested with either tape or stomach worms cannot eat enough range forage to take care of his own body requirements, as well as the drain on his body. Death usually ensues unless found and given medication and supplemental feed.

Drench Does and Kids Early

As a precautionary measure when grazing does on pastures which have been occupied previously by infested animals, it might be well to drench all of the does about June 25 with phenothiazine containing arsenic. The phenothiazine is for the removal of stomach worms, hookworms and nodular worms. The arsenic is added primarily for the removal of tapeworms. The arsenic actually kills the tapeworms, while the phenothiazine kills some of the stomach worms, but primarily, just causes them to be passed out with the feces. It enters through the stomach worm's skin rather than mouth. If the does appear in a strong condition a full two ounces of phenothiazine should be given, but if some

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show signs of weakness smaller doses are needed. The kids may not need drenching as early as June 15. A second drenching should be done about August 1, or six weeks after the first. At this time all kids should be drenched with the phenothiazine, but in smaller amounts. Give the very small kids one-half ounce, and the larger ones one ounce. The drench should be heavily diluted with water when giving it to the kids. Since most drench guns are of the two-ounce size, you may mix one-half ounce phenothiazine and one and one-half ounces of water and give a full two ounces of the liquid to the kid.

Solvent capsules containing tetrachlorethylene are also good for stomach worms. For livestock, they usually come in either two and one-half or five cc sizes, but most drug stores also handle them for small animals such as dogs and cats and you can get them in as small as one cc size. They are commonly known as Nema worm capsules, since it is a trade name employed by Parke, Davis and Company, but is also sold by other companies under similar names. I have been using the capsules on our own goats where animals have been difficult to get free of worms. It is recommended

that the animals be starved of both feed and water for a period of time before and after giving the capsules. This rule should be followed. However, I carry some of the capsules in my pocket and give to animals showing signs of weakness whenever I can catch them while either feeding from a trough or on the range. These capsules do not put the animals off feed as the phenothiazine tends to do for a day or so after drenching. There is usually a greater desire to eat supplemental feed after the capsules have been given.

After drenching, salt containing phenothiazine should be fed free choice on the range at all times. It is not a substitute for drenching but will keep the animals worm-free for longer periods afterwards.

There are other drenches on the market and are found in most warehouses and stores selling veterinary supplies. Most of these are quite effective and should be tried when other remedies fail. My own personal observation has been that how effective the medicants are will depend upon:

(1) Amount of medicant given, which will depend upon the size of the animal and condition of health. Stronger and larger animals should be given greater amounts than weaker ones. Smaller doses given weak animals will take longer to rid the parasites, and require more frequent dosings, but you are not likely to injure or even kill the animal.

(2) Frequency of administration. If the animals are run on areas where

there is likely to be heavy infestations the breeder needs to set up a schedule for drenching. Usually late winter drenchings have unloaded most of the worms and the does need not be drenched again until the worms become active again at the onset of warm weather. This will determine the first spring drenching and the second should follow in about six weeks. The most effective drenching is performed in two stages by following the first drenching with a second about 12 to 14 days later before skipping the six-week interval.

(3) Nutrition. Animals which are receiving ample food will usually respond to the medicants quicker than those on poor ranges. The medicines usually do not kill the worms, but cause them to be passed out with the feces, leaving the animal with toxins from the worms. A well-fed animal will respond more quickly and symptoms of infestation will usually disappear sooner because the body is in such a condition to counteract the effects of both the medicants and toxins from the worms.

Watch for Screwworm Infestations During Warm Weather

From the time the Texas screwworm fly makes his appearance in the spring on up until killing freezes in late November there is danger from screwworms. The screwworm is the larva of a fly larger than the common housefly. The adult has a deep, greenish, blue, metallic color, with yellow, orange, or reddish face, and

three dark stripes on the dorsal surface of the thorax. The fly lays her eggs where there is any small break in the skin or on larger wounds. The eggs can be plainly seen by the naked eye, and it is only a matter of a few hours before the small maggots hatch out and start to work eating their way through the skin and into the flesh. Once they start working, they grow in size very fast and can do a lot of damage in a very short time. If not stopped by killing out the worms they will finally cause the death of the animal.

Small breaks in the skin, even while the doe and kid are in full fleece, are caused by the animal hooking itself or being hooked by other animals with their horns, wire or brush snags, or infections caused by grass spears, or cactus thorns. Does which are "pear eaters" get thorns in their mouths while eating the fruit of prickly pear and turkey pear (*Opuntia leptocaulis*), causing infections and account for a large number of the total screwworm infestations, especially in the older does. On depleted ranges the young kids, as well as older animals, will crawl into clumps of prickly pear to eat grasses and weeds that have its protection and will get their faces and forelegs full of thorns. Infections giving off pus is the result.

The blowfly which "blows" an animal by laying its eggs in a haphazard manner in any wet or filthy places on the animal may cause bleeding when the maggots become active. Before we bred up our Angora goats to where

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tlement days of West Texas when soldiers at Fort Phantom Hill guarded travelers headed westward, the hard bitten buffalo hunters and the early day cattle people.

Along with the development of the ranch industry, Abilene's growth was sparked by prosperous farming development. And later, educational institutions were established to add to the city's booming growth. Today Abilene

is the educational mecca for thousands of students attending the city's splendid pre-college institutions and three colleges and universities. Spurring the growth further have been the more recent multi-million dollar airforce installations, some of the largest in the nation.

Only in recent years have sheep and goats appeared upon the scene to augment the economy of Taylor and adjacent counties. Ranchmen have found, as have hundreds of others throughout Texas, that sheep and goats are the most profitable livestock for the ranch per dollar invested. They have found, also, that sheep, goats and cattle do well together on most Texas land, contrary to the almost universal belief by most ranchmen in earlier years.

The Taylor County Sheep and Goat Raisers Association, of which Wayne Hunt of Bradshaw is president, and H. C. Stanley, Taylor County Agent, is secretary, are enthusiastic about the forthcoming meeting of the Association's directors. The Taylor County Sheep and Goat Raisers Association, one of the most aggressive organizations of its kind in the state, is planning to attend in full strength. All members are being notified and every effort is being made to get a large attendance of ranchmen in the area for this director's meeting. Inasmuch as Taylor County Sheep and Goat Raisers Association has more than

200 active members it is felt that the Abilene gathering will be one of the best attended in the history of the Association.

The program, while not available at this writing, is expected to be a well rounded one in which the ranchmen will deliberate and act upon the problems facing the industry.

"We want everyone interested in the industry to attend our meeting. We welcome all of you," recently declared Lance Sears of Sweetwater, President of the Association.

COULD HAVE SOLD MORE

WE WERE talking with Edgar Davis, oil and ranchman, in Abilene the other day and he said, "Say, that ad I ran in your magazine last September sure paid off. I had lots of calls for sheep and goats. I sold all my old replacement bucks and at a good price, too. I also sold some Hereford bulls and could have sold more if I'd had them at the time. I sure was pleased with the calls I got off that ad."

Mr. Davis owns a drilling company and has four ranches near Abilene. He raises registered Herefords on one, sheep and goats on another, and grade cattle on another one. One ranch is devoted to cross-breeding Buffalos and Brahman and raising wildlife.



This is the old magazine building at Fort Phantom Hill near Abilene. It was here that the army once housed the ammunition of the post. The ruins of the vanished fort, built by the army about 1851, rise out of the rolling plains to mark the site of a once powerful stronghold against the Indians. Anyone interested in history would enjoy a trip to see the remains of the old fort.

West Texas Ranchmen Support Unique Music Group

By BILLIE STEVENSON

THE FIRST of a series of programs, designed to better relations between the people of the foreign countries and the people of the United States, will be initiated by the Abilene Symphony Orchestra on Tuesday, March 10. That date will open a week of activities dedicated to Norway, the land of the midnight sun. During this week the restaurants of Abilene will serve Norwegian food, radio stations will play Norwegian music, the Little Theatre will dedicate its play that week to Norway. Ushers at the two symphony concerts given on March 10 will wear Norwegian costumes. The Symphony Orchestra concerts will be all Norwegian music and by Norwegian composers.

In addition to these activities, Girl and Boy Scouts, business people and individuals will start correspondence with people in Norway. This exchange of letters between their people and ours will be continued and the exchange of ideas between them will

surely bring about a better understanding of their way of life and ours.

Activities of the week will be recorded on tape and movies will be taken. Walter Charles, musical director-conductor of the Abilene Symphony Orchestra, will also record a speech made in Norwegian to be sent, along with the movies and recordings of the week, to the United States Information Service in Oslo, Norway, for distribution to their churches, schools, radio and TV stations for publication.

School children in Abilene will write articles on what they know about Norway and the best of them will be sent to Norway to be read in their schools. Students here will learn a Norwegian song to be sung in Norwegian at the Youth concert.

Letters and articles coming here written in Norwegian will be translated by teachers and students here who speak Norwegian.

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Mrs. Guy Caldwell, president of the Abilene Symphony Orchestra Association (left), Walter Charles, musical director-conductor, and Mrs. M. C. Ray go over plans for Norway Week in Abilene. Mrs. Ray is a native of Norway and has lived in this country about 19 years.

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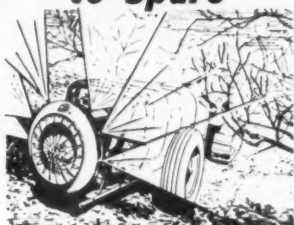


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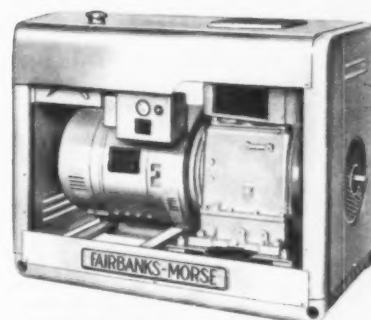
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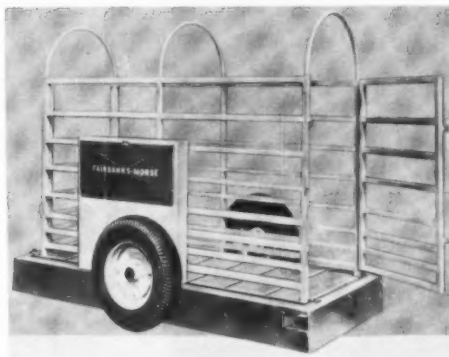
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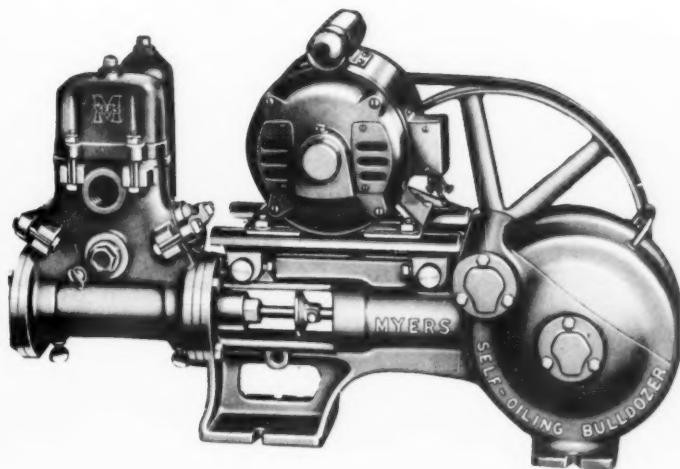


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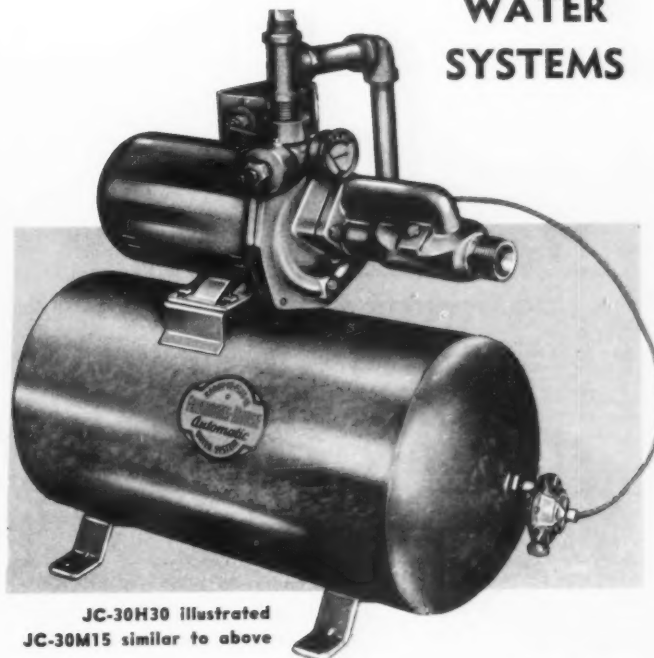
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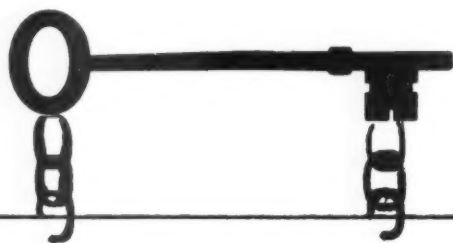
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Texas Delaine News

By MRS. G. A. GLIMP

Fort Worth Show

THE FORT WORTH Stock Show was one of the best in many years as far as the quality and quantity of livestock on exhibition there. The weather could have been better, but attendance was very good despite inclement conditions.

Penn Heath Does Good Job

J. P. Heath, veteran sheep breeder, and known over this state and many others by the countless exhibitors of the State Fair for his work along these lines, served as judge for the fine wool breeds. He is to be highly commended for his conscientious, thorough job, for the task was not an easy one. Penn was high in praise for the conditions of the flocks, and stated that each breeder had done justice to the breed by attaining such results.

A. C. Lindeman had the champion ram and the reserve ewe of the show, while Hudson and Lela Glimp had champion ewe, and G. A. Glimp the reserve ram.

San Antonio Show

Vernon Jones, Kimble County Agent, served in the capacity of judge for the San Antonio Livestock Exposition. This, too, was perhaps the largest and one of the best in the history

of this show. There has definitely been marked improvement each year, and the breeders and number of sheep were in excess of any previous year. The judging of a show like this is extremely difficult, as the quality of the sheep went far beyond the places offered in many of the classes in both the Open and Junior shows. Vernon deliberated some time before declaring his champions. Anna Rose Glasscock Gillit had the champion ewe and reserve ram. Donald Bradford had the champion ram, and G. A. Glimp the reserve ewe.

Anna Rose has had a champion or reserve at all of the sheep shows since she has been showing, and this year she went all out by winning the wool show by having the over-all champion of this event.

The Junior Show was spectacular in every respect. There were some fifteen exhibitors in this division, and in each class the sheep were of exceptional quality and were fitted and shown with expert care. This proved most interesting to the many spectators on hand, as each one was striving hard for the top premium so it would count toward the mark of premier exhibitor, and thus win the trophy given by the Delaine Association for the exhibitor with the most points. The judge and the exhibitors were working equally hard. This was a very hard show to judge and caused much deliberation before selecting the champions. Donald Bradford had the champion ram and the reserve ewe. Thornton Secor had the champion ewe, and Obert Sagebeil the reserve ram. Elam Miles, Star FFA, had 73 points to make him the high exhibitor with Thornton Secor, 63 and Donald Bradford, 57.

Elam has been an outstanding exhibitor since he first began, and he has come a long way to achieve and attain the success he has had the past year. He began, like many other boys and girls, with some ewe lambs. He now has a very nice flock of registered Delaines as a result of his untiring efforts. He is a very conscientious young man who could always take defeat as well as success with a grin and determination to return with something better. This he has done by winning a sizable amount of prize money at the State Fair in October, completely sweeping the Mills County Show, and coming on to win the coveted trophy at San Antonio. Elam has but one regret, and that being the fact that his future plans might not allow him to win the trophy three years in succession to obtain permanent possession. He is a senior in high school and is planning to further his education. He has worked hard, but he readily admits that it has been time well spent. We congratulate him on his achievements!

Jim Frank Swindall, Menard, entered the sheep shows for his first venture and did an exceptional job of fitting and showing his animals. He had five sheep and won first, sec-

West Texas Music

(Continued from page 25)

The Norwegian Princess is now visiting in the United States and if arrangements can be made with her, she will attend the concert which opens the week-long activities.

The establishing of better international relations will not stop with the week's activities, but will be carried on through the years as the people of this area correspond with the people of Norway. Walter Charles, who planned the program, will continue to salute the free peoples of the world with a week of programming each year dedicated to a different country. This international friendship program is conducted by one of the most unique symphony orchestras in the United States.

Most Unique Symphony Orchestra in U. S.

The orchestra has a concert each month, October through April, and a concert audience that, in four years, has grown from 300 to 1500. It also has an opera company, and 16,000 people are directly affected by the program, which does not stop with the seven subscription concerts. The orchestra goes further with a program of teaching music appreciation, beginning with the pre-school age children of two to six and continuing through college.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Many ranch people promote and support Abilene's unique musical organization. We hope to report further on this wonderful project.

ond, fourth, fifth, and tenth among the other sheep shown. This is a very good record for a beginner, and we hope to see a lot more of this young man.

Marilyn Gallant, Medina, recently sold some bred ewes to J. W. Lennon of Harper. We are very glad to have him on our membership roster, and we hope to see him at some of the future shows.

The Delaine breeders can be justly proud of their showing in the fat lamb classes of the two major shows. Francis Kott was the breeder of the champion fine wool fat lamb of the Fort Worth Show. Albert and Carl Martin, commercial breeders of Menard, were the breeders of the champion and re-

serve fine wool lamb at San Antonio, and Bennie Bradford, Menard, the breeder of the second place lamb of the open show. These three lambs were shown by Mickey Weaver, Lanier Price, and Barbara Gail Taliaferro, respectively, of Concho County. The breeders of Menard and feeders of Concho are to be congratulated on this achievement of success.

Don't forget to get your entries in to Harold Bragg, Talpa, early for the annual Delaine Show and Sale, May 15-16 in Coleman. The deadline on these entries is April 15, but the sooner the entries are in, the better it is on your sale committee. Their plans depend largely on you, so let us remember this and not be late!

CHOAT RE-ELECTED HEAD OF PUREBRED SHEEP ASSOCIATION

THE 13th annual meeting of the Purebred Sheep Breeders' Association of Texas was held February 10 at the Cattlemen's Steak House in Fort Worth with fifty-eight members and guests attending.

The following officers were re-elected: Hamilton Choat of Olney, president; George Johanson of Eden, vice-president; and J. P. Heath of Argyle, secretary-treasurer. Breed directors re-elected for two years are: Movelda Maddox of Decatur, Shropshire; A. C. Lindeman of Blanco, Delaine-Merino; and Harrison Davis of Dorchester, Suffolk. Mrs. Ammie Wilson of Plano was elected Hampshire director.

Holdover directors include: Louis Tongate of Brooksmith, Rambouillet; Joe Dixon of Fort Worth, Southdown; E. (Sonny) Bergman of Round Mountain, Corriedale; and Louis Nagy of Boerne, Columbia.

Directors-at-large are: Bill Strickland of Brady, Fine Wool; L. N. Cox of Celina, Medium Wool; and Dr. T. D. Watkins of College Station, Sheep Industry. The Sale Committee is made up of Bill Strickland, chairman, of Brady; Glynn Sanders of Mullin, and Bill Tongate of Brooksmith.

Wool Show Premiums

During the business meeting, the Association voted to give premiums of \$10, \$5 and \$3 for the top three ram and ewe fleeces of fine wool, medium wool, and dual purpose (Corriedale-Columbia-Montadale) divisions of the wool show.

It's Cold in There!

The membership voted to ask the Fort Worth Stock Show management to heat the sheep barn. The group also voted to ask the State Fair of Texas officials to make more room available for sheep and goats.

Sale, Shows Planned

The 12th annual Purebred Sheep Breeders' Association Show and Sale and Wool Show, co-sponsored by the Brownwood Chamber of Commerce, will be held in Brownwood on May 7-8-9. Sifting, branding, and the wool show will be held on Thursday, May 7. Medium wool sheep will sell Fri-

day, May 8, and Rambouillets and Delaines will sell Saturday, May 9. The sales both days will begin promptly at 12:30 P.M. Bill Strickland is chairman of the Sale Committee. He will be assisted by Bill Noll, Boerne; John Galloway, County Agent of Brown County, and Jim Gray, Extension Service. George Jordan will represent the Chamber of Commerce.

Prizes of \$10, \$5, and \$3 will be awarded for top ram and ewe fleece in the three different wool divisions.

All recognized breeds, both rams and ewes, are eligible to sell in the sale, and all sheep must be registered in their respective breed associations. No sheep can be entered in the sale which has more than six permanent teeth. All animals will be carefully sifted.

Anyone desiring information on rules and entry blanks may write to Bill Strickland, Sale Manager, Brady, Texas, or J. P. Heath, Secretary-Treasurer, Purebred Sheep Breeders' Association of Texas, Argyle, Texas.

More information on this sale, probably the fastest growing in the nation, will appear in the next issue.

NATIONAL WOOL MEET TO SAN ANTONIO

SAN ANTONIO will be the site of the 95th annual convention of the National Wool Growers Association, according to Edwin Marsh of Salt Lake City, executive secretary of the organization.

Marsh and Harold Josendal of Casper, Wyoming, were authorized to select the next convention city at the 94th convention in Portland, Oregon, in January. They chose San Antonio, over Denver, Colorado. A bid to hold the next convention in Las Vegas, Nevada, was declined at the Portland meeting.

Convention dates are January 25 through 27, 1960. The executive committee will meet and registration will begin on Sunday, January 24. The Gunter Hotel will be convention headquarters.

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El Paso Holds Record Livestock Show

IT'S NOT OFTEN that a livestock show can boast perfect conditions during an annual event, but El Paso's Southwestern Livestock Show claimed just that when it saw balmy skies, record number of entries, strict judging standards, and highest auction prices as 2,000 entries competed in the various divisions of this annual blue ribbon event at the Pass of the North.

For the youth of West Texas it was a perfect year, too, as entries from that area took the top honors in the junior division. Heading the list of winners was Harry King of Big Spring, who took fat lamb honors with an 82-pound Southdown that netted him \$984.00 in the auction. Taking

reserve honors was Butch Moore of Rankin, Texas, who received \$913.00 for his 87-pound reserve Champion Southdown. And in the fine wool entries, it was Danny Wash of Big Spring who emerged winner with a 93-pound crossbred that brought him \$465.00.

The lambs, 36 of them in the auction, brought \$12,368.75, or an average of \$3.43 per pound. The last lamb on the block, an 88-pound Southdown, brought \$220, or an average of \$2.50 per pound.

Prices held up all the way in the Junior Show, a tribute to the wholehearted support that the show receives from El Paso business men, and the grand total, \$54,357.86, was plus

\$2,000 over the '58 sale. The final was swelled with 37 calves going for \$30,352.44, and 36 barrows hitting \$11,636.67. The grand champion calf, a 922-pound Hereford owned by Lile Lewter of Lubbock, Texas, sold for \$3,688.00, while the grand champion barrow, a 220-pounder owned by winsome Patti Liner of Lubbock, brought \$1,430.00.

The '59 show listed 1,392 junior entries and 614 exhibitors, representing 81 4-H and FFA chapters out of Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Kansas. Fat lambs numbered 619 and junior breeding sheep, 99.

The Open Breeding Sheep Show listed 72 head, with 28 Southdowns, 19 Rambouillets, 17 Delaines, and 8 Corriedales competing. A clean sweep in the Southdowns was registered by Duron Howard of Mulhall, Oklahoma. Howard took grand and reserves in the ram and ewe classes.

In the Rambouillet, Tom Glasscock of Sonora, Texas, followed the pattern with a sweep in the grand and reserve ram and ewe. O. D. Strigler of Salt Gap, Texas, swept the Corriedale classes, and in the Delaine, Anna Rose Glasscock of Sonora took champion ram, reserve ram, and champion ewe. The reserve champion ewe went to Donald Bradford of Menard.

In other El Paso show divisions, 103 head entered the open breeding cattle division and 349 bulls were consigned to the Third International Range Bull Sale.

The bull sale proved to be one of the highlights of the show, with 333 Hereford, Angus, and Brangus bulls going to Southwestern and Mexican cattle buyers for \$179,008.00. Another mark in the show was the sale of the grand champion stallion for \$12,000 to L. R. Spires of Buckhorn, New Mexico.

Herman Carter judged fat lambs and P. E. Neale judged the breeding sheep.

NATIONAL MISS WOOL COMMITTEE FORMED

THE NATIONAL Wool Growers Association has formed a national Miss Wool Committee to coordinate between the National and Texas shows. The committee consists of five members—the president of the National Wool Growers' Association and the president of its auxiliary; also the two immediate past presidents of the same two organizations and the immediate past president of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association.

A LONG TIME TO COME

I JUST want to tell you that we think you and your associates are doing an outstanding job in publishing such a helpful and worthwhile magazine. Our ranch foreman joins us in expressing to you our congratulations, and here's hoping you will be able to keep up the good work you are doing for a long time to come.

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Fat Lamb Champ—Harry King, 4-H'er from Big Spring, Texas, is shown after the Junior El Paso auction that brought him \$984.00 for his 82-pound Southdown. Shown with Harry are buyers Floyd Schneider, left, and Vic Murray, representatives of Lone Star Brewing Company. The youth took honors over 619 entries. Herman Carter was judge.



Fine Wooler — Danny Wash, a 4-H lad from Big Spring, Texas, took the Fine Wool honors with this 93-pound crossbred. The lamb brought him \$465.00 in the junior auction. The animal was purchased by the Standard Oil Company of Texas.

PHOTOS AND STORY
BY LUIS PEREZ
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Top Rambouillet Ewe—Tom Glasscock of Sonora, Texas, swept all Rambouillet honors at El Paso. His father, V. J. Glasscock, is shown with the Champion Open Breeding Rambouillet Ewe.



Reserve Delaine Ewe—Donald Bradford of Menard, Texas, is shown with his Reserve Delaine Ewe. The Champion Ram, Reserve Ram, and Champion Ewe were won by Anna Rose Glasscock of Sonora.



Old Hand—Ann Espy, an old hand at winning in the El Paso sheep show, is shown with a Champion Junior Breeding Rambouillet Ewe.

EXCELLENT SHOW AT UVALDE

THE 1959 Uvalde County Junior Livestock Show and Sale, held January 29, 30, and 31, at the Exposition Grounds in Uvalde, was declared to have been as successful as last year's show and sale and even better in some respects. The quality of the livestock, especially in the breeding classes and some fat classes, seemed better than last year. Competition was keen in all classes.

Top honors in the sheep and goat events went to the following young people:

Fat Lamb Division

Fine Wool Fat Lambs (Singles): 1st and champion—Richard Van Pelt, Concan, Uvalde 4-H. Breeder, A. Real, Kerrville.

Fine Wool Fat Lambs (Pairs): 1st and champion pair — Joy Garner, Uvalde 4-H. Breeder, Allen G. Compton, Uvalde.

Crossbred Fat Lambs (Singles): 1st and champion—Darryl Dawson,

Uvalde FFA. Breeder, J. E. Porter, Utopia.

Crossbred Fat Lambs (Pairs): 1st and champion pair—Darryl Dawson.

Mutton Type Fat Lambs (Singles): 1st and champion — Thad Marsh, Uvalde 4-H. Breeder, C. N. Marsh, Uvalde.

Mutton Type Fat Lambs (Pairs): 1st and champion pair—Thad Marsh.

Breeding Sheep and Goat Division

Rambouillet Yearling Rams: Champion—Wesley Kramer, Knippa 4-H. Breeder, Wesley Kramer.

Commercial Fine Wool Ewe Lambs (Group of Three): 1st and champion — Richard Van Pelt, Uvalde 4-H. Breeder, Edgar Glasscock, Sonora.

Commercial Fine Wool Ewe Lambs (Singles): 1st and champion—Mike Milam, Uvalde 4-H. Breeder, Mike Milam.

CAROL CARPENTER WINS DUAL CHAMPIONSHIP AT JUNCTION

CAROL CARPENTER, with her Angora doe kid, and Scott Ferguson, with his Rambouillet ewe lamb, won a dual grand championship at the annual Kimble County Livestock Show, held in Junction on January 31. Carol is the daughter of Mrs. Jim Carpenter, and Scott is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ferguson.

Cecil Robbins showed the champion mutton lamb. Carol Carpenter and Scott Ferguson had the champion goat and champion lamb, respectively. The showmanship award was presented to Rusty Jones, and Jimmy McCollum won a prize for the best entire exhibit.

Show judges were Spud Tatum and Brooks Sweeten of Rocksprings.

Top results were:

First place, fine wool mutton lambs: Cecil Robbins.

First place, pair of fine wool mutton lambs: Robbins.

First place, commercial ewe lambs: Jimmy McCollum.

First place, commercial ewe lambs, pen of three: McCollum.

First place, Rambouillet ewe lambs: Ferguson.

First place, Rambouillet two-tooth ewe lambs: Ferguson.

First place, Rambouillet two-tooth rams: Kenneth Bannowsky.

First place, buck kids: Johnny Lackey.

First place, doe kids: Carol Carpenter.

MELVIN SHOW

TEN-YEAR-OLD Gayle Taliaferro, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy R. Taliaferro of Melvin, exhibited the grand champion lamb February 7 at the 17th Annual FFA Fat Stock Show in Melvin. Gayle is a member of Melvin FFA chapter, and this is her first year to show lambs. She won championship honors in both the fine wool and crossbred classes and had the champion pen of three fine wool lambs.

Top show results were:

First place fine wool lamb, Gayle Taliaferro. First place crossbred lamb, Gayle Taliaferro. Southdown and Southdown-cross, first place, David Siler. Pen of three fine wool lambs, Gayle Taliaferro. Pen of three crossbred lambs, David Siler.

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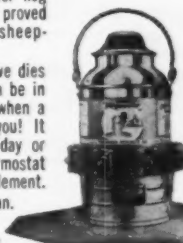
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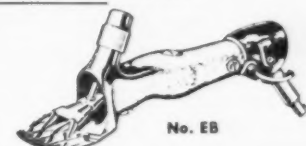
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Analyzing Livestock And Meat Situation

By SHEEP AND GOAT RAISER CHICAGO BUREAU

WHILE CORN Belt lamb finishers were unable during the latter half of January and the first half of February to erase the plight which hovered over

the industry since late last year, they were able to hold the line and prevent the situation from getting worse. However, the fact that prices of

lambs at Chicago failed to show any marked increase did not alleviate the present position of the Corn Belt finisher who continued marketing finished lambs at a financial loss. In fact, there were virtually no signs that the situation would improve in the foreseeable future.

Actually, the price structure of the fat lamb market at Chicago failed to change materially over the past month or so. Killers were able to obtain most of the choice and prime lambs at prices ranging down from \$20, which was substantially under the range of \$22.50 to \$24.50 which most of the lambs cost as replacements last fall.

It was generally believed that lamb finishers were helped to some extent by the widespread publicity given to the relatively low prices of both live and dressed lambs. Some large chain stores featured several cuts of lambs at low prices and this undoubtedly brought out larger consumption of lamb meat at a time when the finishers needed every bit of demand that existed.

Blocking the chances for any improvement in lamb prices at this time is the fact that production of lambs in federally inspected plants is running substantially ahead of a year ago at the same time that the output of other meat is also heavier than last year.

Lamb production during the month of January was up about 30 percent over the same month a year ago and around 35 percent over December, 1958. This increase came at a time when hog killing is up considerably over a year ago.

Thus, in view of this slaughter data, some were of the opinion that lamb feeders were fortunate in that they were able to hold the price line with values prevailing during much of January. It is also for this reason that it appears that the consumer demand was increased recently by the publicity regarding attractive lamb prices at the meat counters.

The Chicago market again received its share of the increased number of lambs moving to market. Volume for the month of January showed a substantial increase over the same month a year ago, while this same pattern was continued into February.

Not only was Chicago the selling point for a larger share of the lambs finished in Corn Belt feedlots, but it also attracted numerous consignments from the more distant areas, particularly the Southwest. Lamb buyers at Chicago found numerous shipments of lambs that recently moved off wheat pastures in the Southwest. While these have lacked quality and finish to grade prime, they were, nevertheless, fairly well finished kinds and sold largely down from \$19. Recent movement of lambs from wheat pastures consisted of both woolled and

shorn kinds, although the latter kind was more numerous.

The \$20 mark was the recent stepping point from prime woolled lambs. At times this price was paid quite freely as the quality of the lamb crop at Chicago was very good. As has been the case recently, eastern representatives provided the best outlet for most of the better quality lambs and most of the choice and prime woolled lambs moved on from Chicago to eastern plants for slaughter.

About the only factor that has a tendency to slow action in the lamb market of late has been the bunching up of heavier weight lambs. As is the case in other classes of livestock, weighty offerings found the demand somewhat limited and whenever there was an increased number of the weightier kinds, buyers slowed their activity.

After making a fairly good showing during the month of January with its steadily higher price trend, the steer market ran into a period of buyer bearishness as soon as the month of February got underway, a pattern that has become common over the years at this time of the year.

Even though cattle volume remained moderate, which continued to cause some surprise in some quarters, most beef processors began working prices to lower levels. Killers report that much of their recent bearishness stems from the fact that their dressed costs at this time were running from 1c to 3c per pound above prevailing wholesale prices, thereby making it impossible for them to hold their money together. This factor became general throughout the industry, forcing many killers to reduce slaughtering operations.

It was this reduction in the demand that more than offset the moderate pace at which fed cattle moved to market. It was believed that marketings at times during February were held down by the adverse weather which developed from time to time.

About the time the fat cattle market ran into the reversal of the January trend, opinions were expressed in the industry that this might be the start of a period of lower prices which was forecast for some time this winter. Whether this line of reasoning will become reality and the length of time cattle prices will be under pressure are questions that will be answered only by further developments in the coming weeks.

At the high point at the outset of February high prime steers moved up to a peak of \$33, a new high since last June. However, almost immediately killer interest in prime grades began to wane, even though numbers of such kinds remained small, and the top price dropped back to \$32.50 around the middle of February. Feed-

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and only time will tell. The rate of government payment on shorn wool in 1957 was 15.5 percent, whereas all indications are at present that the payment rate in 1958 will be near 50 percent of the total gross proceeds minus marketing cost. A summary of three years follows:

Year	No. Applications	Total Pounds of Shorn Wool on which Incentive Payments Were Made	Average No. of Pounds per Applications
		(pounds)	(pounds)
1955		49,570,665	
1956	21,114	44,765,483	2,120.2
1957	14,630	22,249,152	1,520.8

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Net Incentive Payments on Shorn Wool*	Total Incentive Payments on Shorn Wool	Gross Sales Received by Growers Minus Mktg. Cost.	Gross Sales Minus Mktg. Cost Plus Incentive Payments
(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)	(dollars)
9,122,380.23	9,618,086.88	21,421,128.90	30,543,509.13
7,709,027.36	8,156,682.19	20,391,705.47	28,100,732.83
1,736,295.94	1,958,787.46	12,367,338.45	14,373,634.39

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Av. Price per Pound Not Including Incentive Payments	Av. Price per Pound Including Incentive Pymts.	Total Pounds Produce During Each Year †	Rate of Government Payment
(cents)	(cents)	(pounds)	(percent)
43.2	61.6	45,137,000	44.4
45.6	62.8	41,938,000	40.0
56.8	64.6	39,409,000	15.5

* Net incentive payments received by grower is the total incentive payments minus 1 cent per pound deducted under the provisions of the National Wool Act of 1954.

† Shorn wool production reports issued by AMS — Agricultural Estimates Division, 1955-1957.

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champion lamb, and Nathan's paid 50 cents a pound for the reserve champion in the auction sale following the show. Twenty-two San Angelo merchants paid an average of 41 cents a pound for the 80 lambs in the sale.

Jack Drake, San Angelo livestock dealer, bought early in February 350 lambs from W. O. Miller, San Angelo, and 400 clipped mutton lambs from E. A. Thomerson and V. L. Butts, Christoval, at 16 cents a pound. The lambs averaged about 90 pounds.

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Seems like we ain't never gonna get enough school built to hold all the children nor enough prisons to hold 'em after they get educated.

This community got all excited last week over a rumor that two drops of rain had fell somewhere over towards Slick Spot. But it turned out to be exaggerated double. There was only one drop.

Main trouble with this country is too many unemployed on too many payrolls.

Mrs. Quag Tofer bent a beer bottle over the edditer's head for printin' in the Hardscrabble Clarion that her and Quag had celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Says maybe that old scallywag done some pirootin' around but she didn't have a thing to celebrate.

Josh Blicher's boy, Redtop, done fine in college through the football and basketball seasons, but he didn't make the baseball team and now he's left without a thing to do with his time the rest of the term.

Looks like the hoss is comin' back in some parts of the West but hoss sense ain't comin' back nowhere.

Sledge Wicup brags that his wife has never been inside a beauty parlor and my wife says she sure looks it.

After what has been done to Christmas, New Year's, July 4 and Thanksgiving, only holiday left for the common man to enjoy hisself is Ground Hog Day. Of course we know the ground hog is a fake, but that's life.

Feller in a jet plane swished from L. A. to New York in 3½ hours. Shucks! He didn't have to travel that fast and far to get outa the smog.

The scheme to set up a Master Plan for Hardscrabble to grow in order and beauty got voted down 113 to 0. All of us know that if Hardscrabble had started off with any plan like that, none of us would be here.

Folks in smoggy cities might get some pointers from moonshiners out this way that have learnt to run a still full blast without a smidgin of smoke to tip off the revenooers.

My false teeth has already outlasted the originals and is still sound. The dentist says if the rest of me had been built by workmen as competent as he is, I'd be around till the U. S. budget gets balanced.

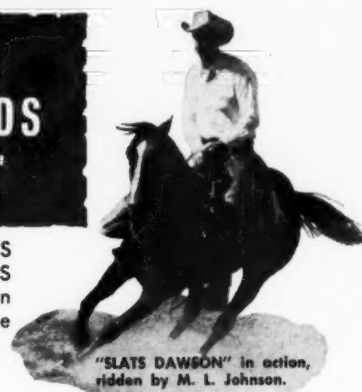
Clem Lazenby says he hadn't seen his boy or his car for months and had plumb forgot all about 'em both until he got hauled into court for lettin' a minor drive.

You gotta be the right age really to appreciate TV. Now you take my grandson, Frogmoss. When he was six, he loved it. Now he's seven and hates it.

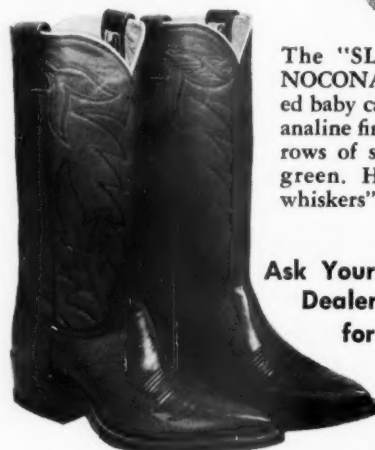
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DATE SET FOR CENTRAL TEXAS ANGORA GOAT SALE

MEMBERS OF the Central Texas Registered Angora Goat Breeders Association held their annual meeting recently in Goldthwaite, where they elected officers and directors for the coming year and set their show and sale date for 1959.

Col. V. Z. Cornelius was re-elected president of the association for the new year. Other officers elected are Bob Kerby, vice president, and Dr. T. C. Graves, secretary.

Directors selected and the counties they represent are as follows:

Mills County—Glenn Nickols, Bob Kerby, V. Z. Cornelius, David Watters, H. B. Jernigan, F. B. Daniel, and T. C. Chaney.

Lampasas County—John Martin.
Comanche County—F. L. Terrill.
Brown County—Alfred Edgar.
Coryell County—C. R. Dixon and A. B. Wilkinson.

The following were named and approved to the various committees:

Sales — Bob Kerby, chairman; Glenn Nickols, A. B. Wilkinson, C. R. Dixon, and F. B. Daniel.

Building—Luther Jernigan, chairman.

Refreshments — T. C. Chaney, chairman, who will be assisted by wives of association members.

Publicity—H. B. Jernigan and Raymond Casbeer.

Saturday, August 29, was selected for the 1959 show date, when association members expect to consign at

least 135 Angora bucks and 40 does.

Present at the Thursday meeting were T. C. Chaney, Roy Dellis, Raymond Casbeer, V. Z. Cornelius, Glenn Nickols, F. L. Terrill, C. R. Dixon, David Watters, J. F. Wigley, Luther Jernigan, W. A. Elams, F. B. Daniel, A. B. Wilkinson, Otho Medart, T. C. Graves, and Bob Kerby.

BIG BEND SHOW

THE 15th annual Big Bend Livestock Show was held January 17 in Alpine with the girls taking the top honors.

Thirteen-year-old Ann Espy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Espy of Alpine, showed the champion fine wool lamb from the family flock. Janet Grubb, 12, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Grubb of Fort Davis, showed the champion crossbred lamb from the West Love Ranch of Marfa.

Other young ranchers placing include: Johnny Fitzgerald, George Grubb, Shannon Grubb, Frank Hartnett, Barbara Grubb, Hoogie Harvey, Jim Potter, and Jim Espy, Jr.

CRANE COUNTY SHOW

THE CRANE County Livestock Show was held January 17 in Crane, with Jerry Swift, 17-year-old Crane 4-H Club boy, showing a champion lamb for the fourth consecutive year. Jerry, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Swift, showed the champion fine wool lamb and the reserve champion, as well.

Bobby Brunson, 17, son of J. G. Brunson of Crane, won with his champion crossbred lamb from the Wilson Barr ranch. Sheila Barr, 12, had the reserve champion crossbred lamb. She is the daughter of Wilson Barr.

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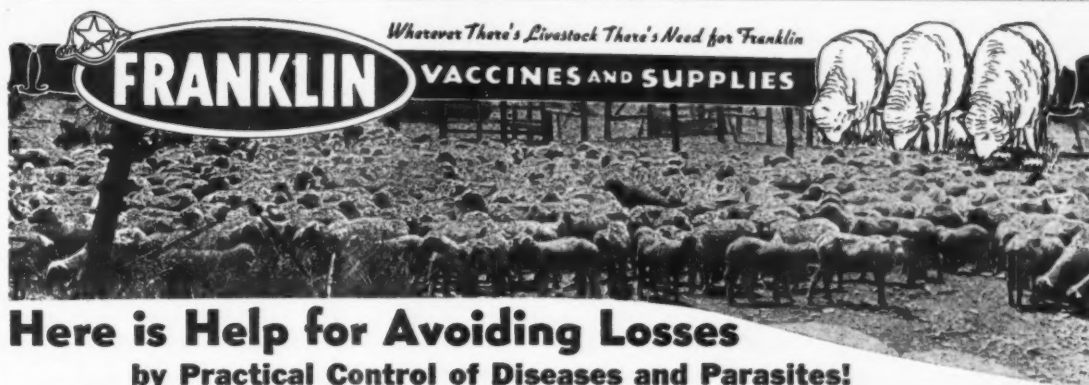
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PATRICK SYLVESTER MAPES, 68, a World War I veteran and retired Ballinger ranchman, died January 18 at Lisbon Hospital in Dallas, following an illness of several years.

Mr. Mapes owned and operated the Mapes Ranch near Ballinger from 1930-1943. He worked at Goodfellow Air Force Base during World War II. He had been retired since 1950.

In 1922, Mr. Mapes married Miss Marie Remy of Yoakum.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Mrs. Mayer Littman of Biloxi, Mississippi, and Mrs. Stanley E. Burnham of Pampa; one son, Pat H. Mapes; four sisters, Miss Annie B. Mapes of San Angelo, Mrs. Lea Fritts of Tucson, Arizona, Mrs. Clay Rayburn of Tucson, and Mrs. Newt Wardlaw of Waco; four brothers, Pryor Mapes of La Mesa, California, Fred Mapes of Ballinger, Harry Mapes of Bay City, and Leo Mapes of Dallas; and four grandchildren.

J. C. DIBRELL

J. C. DIBRELL, 67, Coleman County ranchman, died in Overall Memorial Hospital, Coleman, December 30. A well known Hereford breeder, Mr. Dibrell was a member of the Texas Hereford Association. Surviving are his wife; five sisters, Mrs. Marguerite Pitts, Tyler; Mrs. Charles W. Pitts and Mrs. J. S. Weathered, Coleman, and Miss Virginia Dibrell and Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Hedelston, Indianapolis, Indiana.

S. P. GLASSCOCK

S. P. GLASSCOCK, 68, lifetime resident of Sonora, died February 4 in the Hudspeth Memorial Hospital following a long illness. He had, during his lifetime worked on ranches in the Sutton County area.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Jamie and Melvin Glasscock of Sonora, and Roy Glasscock of Sander-son; two daughters, Mrs. Jack Ward of Claude, and Mrs. Johnny Godwin; two brothers, Sim Glasscock of Sonora, and Ira Glasscock of Big Lake; two sisters, Mrs. Hattie Parker of San Angelo, and Mrs. Beatrice Bowen of Christoval; and 17 grandchildren.

MRS. BEN MECKEL

MRS. BEN MECKEL, 71, Sutton County ranch woman, died in the Hudspeth Memorial Hospital, Sonora, February 4, after a long illness. A daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis, she was born in Burnet County and moved with her parents to Sonora in 1890. In 1909 she married Ben Meckel and the couple accumulated extensive ranching interests. Surviving are her husband of Sonora; two daughters, Mrs. Jimmy West, Eldorado, and Mrs. Bill Tittle, Sonora; one son, Lavelle Meckel, Eldorado; two sisters, Mrs. Hollie McGonagil, Dallas, and Mrs. Mona Clark, Fort Worth; one brother, R. Davis, El Paso; eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

TED WATKINS

TED WATKINS, 78, long-time Kerr County ranchman, died January 8 in Sid Peterson Memorial Hospital in Kerrville.

Mr. Watkins was born in Karnes County and had ranched in the Kerrville area for many years until the time of his retirement.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Mrs. Mary Smith of Big Spring and Mrs. R. W. Cochran of Odessa; four sons, Herbert Watkins of Cotulla, Ted Watkins, Jr., and Ross Watkins of Laredo, and Elmo Watkins of Odessa; four sisters, Mrs. Herbert Jones of Harper, Mrs. Ella Lee and Mrs. Maggie Giles of San Antonio, and Mrs. Emma Harlan of California; 14 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

HILTON TURNEY

HILTON (SLOKE) TURNEY, 51, Sonora ranchman, died February 4 in a San Antonio hospital. Mr. Turney operated a ranch in the Fort McKavett area.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Billy Frank Turney of Sonora; his mother, Mrs. Lottie Turney of Sonora; two brothers, Lynn Turney of Coleman and Frank Turney of Sonora; and four sisters, Mrs. Sam Lloyd of Fort Stockton, Mrs. Blanche Collier of Odessa, Mrs. Jake Merck of Sonora, and Mrs. Pedro Crowell of Sonora.



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B. T. CORDER

B. T. CORDER, former Texas ranchman, died in a Silver City, New Mexico hospital, February 1. A son of the late Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Corder, pioneer ranch folk of Terrell County, Mr. Corder was born in Kimble County in 1884. Surviving are his wife, one son, B. T. Corder, Jr., Dallas; a daughter, Mrs. Charlie Tolhurst of London, England; two grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Mary E. Mitchell, and two brothers, J. M. Corder and R. E. Corder, all of Sanderson.

J. TOM WILLIAMS

J. TOM WILLIAMS, 78, stockfarmer in the Eldorado area for over 30 years, died at his home in the Reynolds community February 8 following a long illness.

Born in Bosque County in 1881, Mr. Williams married Mary Maetta Smith in 1900. The couple moved to Concho County near Eden in 1904 and lived there until 1929, at which time the family moved to Schleicher County.

Mrs. Williams and a daughter, Mary Kathryn Warren, died in 1936. She and Mr. Williams also had six sons. These sons, who now survive their father, include: Bernard Wil-

liams of Parlin, Colorado; Cecil and James Williams of Eldorado; and Garland, Harold, and David Williams of Amarillo.

Mr. Williams later married Cecile Hyde. She and the couple's four children also survive. The children are: Mrs. Owen Brock of Fort Worth; Robert (Bobby) Williams, a student at Texas A. & M. College; and Billy and Frank Williams, who are still at home. Also surviving are 22 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; three brothers, Sam Williams of Graid Prairie; Vick Williams of Plainview; Mack Williams of Haskell; and two sisters, Mrs. Mary Ross of Vernon and Mrs. Jim Hise of Abilene.

DEE H. HUGHS

DEE H. HUGHS, 78, Kerr County ranchman, died February 8 in Sid Peterson Memorial Hospital in Kerrville following a month-long illness.

Born in Moulton, Mr. Hughes had lived near Divide in western Kerr County for the past 57 years. His wife was the former Miss Bessie Fordtran, whom he married in 1906.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Mrs. Lon Smart of Mountain Home; a sister, Mrs. J. H. Vanham of Moulton, and a granddaughter.

SHORTAGE OF FAT LAMBS IS PREDICTED BY NEWMAN

HAROLD NEWMAN of Newman and Farrell of Fort Worth, who has been buying in West Texas for the Rath Packing Company, predicts that this spring will bring a shortage of top grade milk-fat lambs. "There will be some good and choice fat lambs but the dry weather and cold has cut out the possibility of many top quality lambs being available. Some Concho County sheepmen and a few in other areas who have been creep feeding will come up with some choice milk-fat lambs this spring but the total will be under last year." Newman also predicted that the demand for feeder lambs this year will be good in spite of the fact that practically every feeder in the business lost money on last year's crop. "A shortage in feeder lambs will strengthen the competition for them and this shortage will be furthered by the probability that at least 65 percent of the lambs will be held for stockers."

Newman sees some possibility of relief in sight from the importation of the New Zealand lambs. "This import situation is bad enough but it is made worse by the government placing its grade stamp on the imported lamb car-

casses. This is obviously wrong and New Zealand lamb should sell as exactly that and not carry the stamp of U. S. government inspector who has never seen the killing plant."

Newman and Farrell have bought about 25,000 head of lambs in the Concho-McCulloch County area. One purchase was that of the Cole and Nabers lambs approximating 6,500. The first delivery in mid-February consisted of some 3,800 which averaged 93.7 pounds. The lambs, which went to Rath of Waterloo, Iowa, brought 17 cents a pound. They were mixed fats and feeders. The sale was arranged by C. L. Hobdy of Eden and Homer Hobdy of San Angelo.

Billie C. Lewis, who operates a 9,856-acre ranch near Del Rio, has been named outstanding conservation ranchman of the Devil's River Soil Conservation District for 1958. He has pitted and reseeded large areas of the ranch and each pasture on the ranch has been rested at least once during the past three years. Lewis has developed a good grass cover and forage plants by grazing his pastures moderately.

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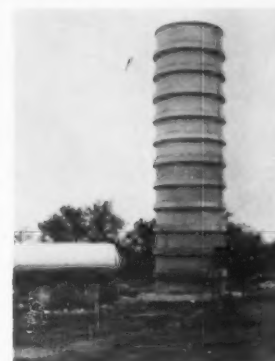
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WOMEN'S AUXILIARY TO THE TEXAS SHEEP & GOAT RAISERS' ASSOCIATION

THE WOMAN'S Auxiliary to the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association was well represented when the Santa Fe left San Angelo early Thursday morning, January 22, bound for Portland, Oregon, and the 94th annual convention of the National Wool Growers Association.

E. A. Tusha and the Santa Fe left nothing to be desired by providing the delegation a private lounge car on Pullman 911. Of course, car 910 was just ahead with two easy doors to open connecting the two coaches. Soon after breakfast the first morning, and in keeping with the royal style of our quarters, the Santa Fe Railway Company, in the person of Mr. Tusha, and the Chase Hollands, of Holland Jewelry Company, presented each member of the group with a gift, gold vanities for the ladies and silver money clips for the men. Each gift was appropriately engraved "Portland '59." That set the pace for the entire trip. First one person and then another brought in candy, salted and fresh nuts, dried fruits, fresh fruits, cheese puffs, and a lot of other foods not recommended for dieting. Two card tables were set up in our "parlor" and nearly continuous sessions of bridge and dominoes or forty-two were going.

We arrived in Richmond, California, about 5:00 P.M., Friday, the 23rd, and a bus was waiting to take us to the Sheraton Palace Hotel in San Francisco, and the name describes the hotel perfectly. The "Trippers" held a quick caucus and decided to hire a sightseeing bus and take a moonlight tour of San Francisco. We crossed the Golden Gate bridge, which was bright with amber lights, and decided that it, too, was well named. The view from Twin Peaks is breathtaking. We also went to the top of the Mark Hopkins Hotel, called "The Top of the Mark," where San Francisco could be viewed in all directions through large plate glass windows. Truly it looked like fairyland. Late dinner at Fisherman's Wharf completed a delightful evening.

Saturday morning we continued on to Portland in our same cars but over the Southern Pacific Railroad, arriving at our destination at 12:25 A.M.

We enjoyed a big laugh when the redcaps came around the station pulling a wagon piled sky-high with our baggage. It appeared that all of us must have taken everything we possessed.

The Multnomah Hotel, Portland, Oregon, is lovely and was our home for the convention. No convention business was scheduled on Sunday, so another caucus resulted in a bus tour of the city and a trip up the beautiful Columbia River to Bonneville Dam, forty miles east of Portland. This trip would be hard to describe but just ask anyone who was on that bus and they, too, would call it out of this world. The trees, waterfalls, ferns and greenery of all kinds made Texans' eyes pop. The camera fans in the crowd had a field day, and a picture-viewing party is planned for the near future as a reunion.

From Monday through Thursday we all settled down to business meetings, luncheons, reports, breakfasts, addresses, style shows, dinners, etc. Outstanding of all the events, the tour of the Pendleton Woolen Mills and the great lamb buffet dinner prepared by six of Portland's famous chefs, were the highlights of the convention.

Those four days passed very quickly. Too soon we were on the train bound for home. We had two hours between trains in San Francisco, so we split into small groups and took another tour by limousine. Again the Golden Gate Bridge, Golden Gate Park, the Presidio of San Francisco, a most beautiful military post, Chinatown, and the seal cliffs and Ocean Drive, flower shops and stalls, all were a sight to see. One could not write of San Francisco and not mention their cable cars, and some of the "trippers" took a ride on one. One limousine driver informed us that "This is the closest to Heaven you will ever be on earth," and we agreed with him wholeheartedly. In closing, to say that we had a wonderful time would be an understatement.

Those attending the convention from Texas were: Mr. and Mrs. Lance Sears, Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Stephens, Lometa; Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Hunt, Sonora; Mr. and Mrs. Chase Holland, San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. "Tuff" Whitehead, Del Rio; Mr. and Mrs. Adolf Stieler, Comfort; Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Kincaid, Ozona; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ault, San Angelo; Mr.

and Mrs. Edwin Mayer, Sonora and San Angelo; Mrs. S. M. Harvick, Ozona; Miss Bobby Lou Whitehead, Del Rio; Miss Nancy Bryan Hunt, Sonora; Mr. and Mrs. P. K. McIntosh, Eldorado; Fred Earwood, Sonora; Ernest Williams, San Angelo; James Hunt, Sonora; Jimmy Powell, San Angelo; Steve Stumberg, Sanderson; Buddy Mayer, Sonora; Dick Alexander, Cherokee; Penrose Metcalfe, San Angelo; Russell Willis, San Angelo; Miss Margaret Ann Callahan, Bandera; Mrs. Dan Callahan, Bandera; Miss Rosemary Honea, Kerrville; Miss Beverly Bentley, Albuquerque, New Mexico (we claim her, too).

National Convention Briefs

Mrs. Adolf Stieler, Comfort, immediate past president of the Texas Auxiliary, was named Auditor of the National Auxiliary, and as such will be a member of the Executive Committee. Congratulations, "Tops."

Dr. and Mrs. Jack Miller were visiting old Texas friends at the convention. He is a former Dean of Agriculture at Texas A. & M. but now with Oregon State College at Corvallis.

The Governor of Alaska, returning home from Washington, D. C., stopped in Portland and renewed friendship with Miss Wool of America, Beverly Bentley.

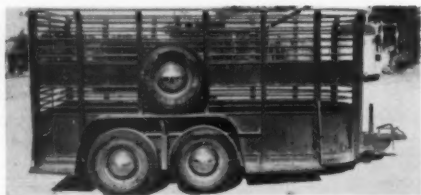
Mrs. T. A. Kincaid served on the Auditing Committee with Mrs. Dickinson of Washington and Mrs. Corn of New Mexico.

Mrs. Delbert Chipman of Utah will direct the National Auxiliary Lamb Promotion program this year, the theme of which will be for each member to eat lamb, feed their family and friends lamb, and make a concerted effort to train our youth to eat lamb as they are our future buyers.

The "Make It Yourself With Wool" program is growing rapidly. Seventeen thousand young women entered the contest during 1958. Two beautiful and talented girls from Texas exhibited their garments on a noncompetitive basis during this year's show. They were Rosemary Honea, Kerrville, and Margaret Ann Callahan, Bandera. They were accompanied to Portland by Margaret Ann's mother, Mrs. Dan Callahan.

Beverly Bentley, Albuquerque, New Mexico, Miss Wool of America, did her usual excellent job as ambassador of the wool industry. She modeled three garments from her \$10,000.00 all-wool wardrobe during the annual Make It With Wool Contest style show and her sparkling personality was very much in evidence at all convention functions. Beverly joined

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MARKET PROBLEMS

Government Grading Hit

WHAT CAUSED this sudden and devastating price break? Heavy lambs, large supplies, the holiday season and lower pelt values have all no doubt been contributing factors. However, it is the considered opinion of many of our industry leaders that the major single factor responsible for the market break is Government grading of lamb. Many thousands of the lambs which broke the November and December lamb market would have gone into consumption last fall if the buyers had felt these lambs would meet desired U. S. grading specifications. Instead, the lambs went back to the feeder, who held them on feed longer than he should, hoping again to please the Government graders. But what did the feeder end up with? A costly, heavy lamb, overfat, discounted by the packer because of weight and size and with more fat than the housewife prefers. However, to attain a U. S.

Choice lamb the producer or feeder must put more fat on the lambs than the consumer desires. The concern at our National Wool Growers Association convention was so great that a resolution was passed and sent on to Washington asking for removal of Federal grading of lamb.

U. S. Market Problems

The serious drop in wool prices during the last 19 months has not been limited to our domestic market. The recession in the wool market has been worldwide. Of course, one of the factors in our depressed U. S. wool market has been the distressed economic conditions of our mills, caused, in part, by an influx of foreign wool fabric imports from countries with much lower production costs than ours. The gravity of this situation was recognized just last month in a report of the Senate Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, covering our textile industry. We have joined with the manufacturers in urging a strengthening of the Geneva Wool Fabric Reservation. As this is being written, we are also getting ready to protest the Treasury Department decision to remove countervailing duties from imports of Uruguayan wool top.

— By HAROLD JOSENDAL, President
National Wool Growers Association
(Written for the Commercial Bulletin)

TEXAS TO ENTER MAKE IT YOURSELF WITH WOOL CONTEST

ACCORDING TO announcement by Mrs. Willie B. Whitehead of Del Rio, President of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association, Texas will have a full scale statewide "Make It Yourself With Wool" contest in 1959. Participation by Texas in the National Auxiliary's "Make It Yourself With Wool" contest has been more or less of token proportion during the past several years, most of the energy and planning of the Texas Auxiliary members going into the "Miss Wool" program.

Now that the "Miss Wool" program has been adopted as a nationwide project by the auxiliary of the National Wool Growers' Association, leaders of the Texas organization feel that they can devote more time to the very deserving "Make It Yourself With Wool" program, and at the same time not jeopardize the "Miss Wool" program.

Mrs. Whitehead has appointed Mrs. S. M. Harvick, Ozona, as chairman of the Texas "Make It Yourself With Wool" committee. Further information and the names of the committee members appointed will be announced later.

the Texas delegation at Belen, New Mexico, and continued the trip as a good "Texan."

Future prospects for the National Miss Wool program appear to be very good and it now seems likely that several more state associations will enter contestants for Miss Wool of 1960.

Miss Bobby Lou Whitehead of Del Rio deserves cheers for a job well done as the official chaperone of Miss Wool. Her alert eye, along with graciousness and ability, helped Beverly at all times.

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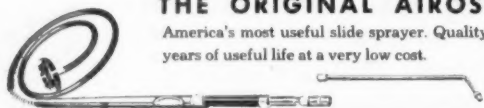
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John L. Todd, right, receives congratulations and a new hat from Dr. O. D. Butler, Head of Texas A. & M.'s Department of Animal Husbandry, on behalf of the entire departmental staff, in recognition of the 37 years of faithful service in the department as shepherd of the sheep flock used in teaching and research. His retirement is effective February 1. A native of Brazos County, coming to A. & M. from the Rock Prairie community, Mr. Todd began his work with A. & M. November 27, 1921. Dr. Butler was a student employee under supervision of Mr. Todd in the mid-thirties. Mr. and Mrs. Todd will reside at 302 Live Oak in College Station, where Mr. Todd will "rest up a while and then maybe start a little flock of sheep of my own."

THOMPSON RANCH SELLS TO HUNTS

MISS NANCY HUNT, former Miss Mohair of the Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association, and her brother, James T. Hunt, have purchased from the H. A. Thompson heirs a 12,700-acre ranch on the Sutton-Schleicher County line. The price was said to be around \$500,000. Daughter and son of Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Hunt, Sonora, Nancy and James have been partners in the livestock business a number of years. They will stock the ranch with sheep, goats and cattle. They are leasing a ranch from Early Baggett, Ozona, and one in Edwards County belonging to their father which they are operating in addition to the one recently purchased.

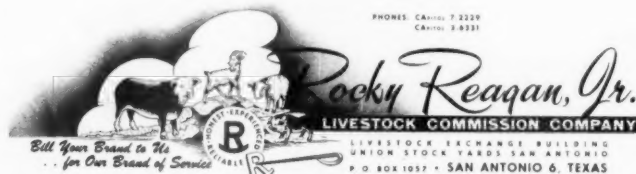
KINNEY COUNTY SHOW DATE SET

THE KINNEY County 4-H and FFA show dates have been set for January 15-16 of next year and planning is now going on to make the event the best in history, according to B. G. Hill, County Agent, of Brackettville. It will be a two-day event and include Rambouillet and Suffolk breeding shepe, fine wool and crossbred lambs, commercial ewe lambs, Angora goats and dry lot steers. Possibly Quarter horses also will be added to show. Fifty of the top lambs will be sold. In this year's sale the average was 76 cents a pound.

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Livestock Situation

(Continued from page 32)

lot mates of \$33 steers were bought a week later at \$32.50, while mates of high prime steers at \$32.50 at the high point were later purchased at \$31.75.

The hog market and prices that can be expected in coming weeks continue to puzzle much of the industry. Because in recent years there has been a tendency toward a changing production of hogs with crops overlapping one another, the hog market can no longer be expected to follow seasonal patterns that were so common for many years.

Thus, widespread opinions were being expressed recently as to when and where the winter's highs and lows will be set. Late in January opinions regarding top hogs in coming months ranged from \$16 to \$20, an unusually wide spread by standards set in the past, but not so wide when consideration is given to the fact that hog production has been undergoing a change in recent years.

Actually, the hog market early in February carried a trend that had it hovering near the lower end of the above-mentioned range for top hog prices at Chicago. While brief periods of reduced marketings of hogs caused by adverse weather did uncover some strength, the general trend for hogs dipped lower and around the middle of February top hogs were at \$16.50, a 26-month low, while the general

level of hog prices was also at a new low in more than two years.

At the same time, top hogs at \$16.50 came dangerously close to the \$16 figure that was considered the low point for hogs this winter. This caused some to accept the belief that top hogs might even dip under this expected low.

During the time when hog prices were dropping lower, another development was taking place in the hog market. This was a trend toward a narrow price spread and the range during the fore part of February was the smallest

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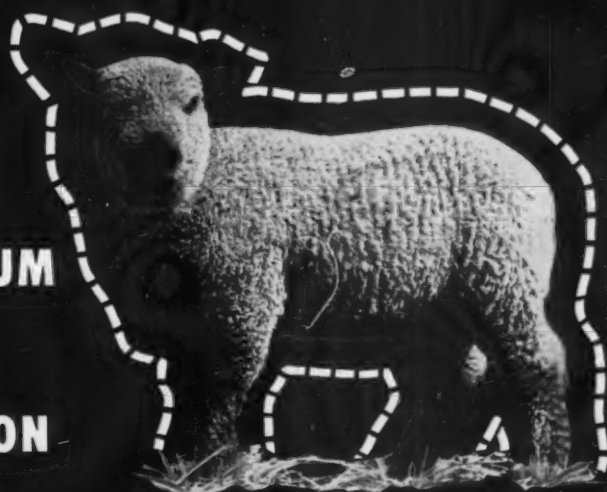
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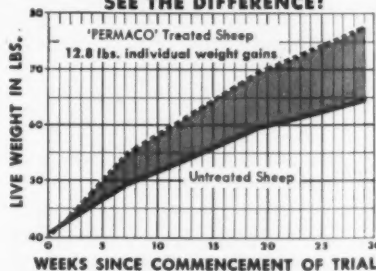
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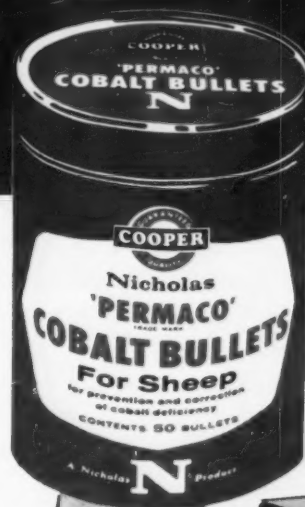


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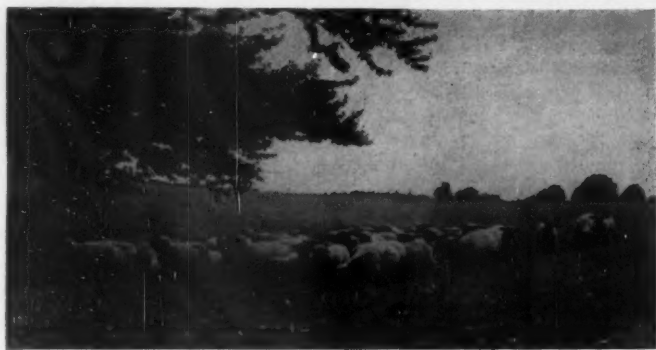
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Washington Parade

By JAY RICHTER

PRESIDENT EISENHOWER'S 1959 farm program has run into the expected stone wall of Congressional resistance on Capitol Hill. House Speaker Sam Rayburn, when he saw the President's formal request for authority to make more cuts in price supports, smiled and told reporters "I doubt we'll do that."

Democrats in the Senate are trying to counter with a new farm program of their own. This plan, which would include direct-payment supports on a number of major crops, was still in the drafting stage at deadline.

Another fight is brewing over the Administration's proposal to raise the interest rate on REA loans and to authorize the electric co-ops to get part of their financing from private sources.

"That crowd is hell-bent on handing us over to the Wall Street bankers and Wall Street-controlled power companies," charged Clyde Ellis, general manager of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association at the group's recent convention in Washington.

The chance that Congress will pass and the President will sign a new over-all farm program law this year remains slim. But Senate Democratic leader Lyndon Johnson (Tex.) wants action in the Senate this year if he can get it.

So Democrats are drafting a bill. The legislation is almost certain to include one of the few items on which most lawmakers, Administration officials, and farm organization leaders agree—a bigger, broader surplus disposal program.

Other parts of the measure were still in the debate stage at press time, but will be pure poison to Benson & Co. The basic idea of the Democrats is that farmers should get direct payments to make up the difference between "low" market prices and a guaranteed "fair" return—on a portion of the crop.

For some crops, the payments would be based on the farmer's share of the domestic market. For others, like feed grains, another formula would be found.

The Administration, meanwhile, is again trying to sell the idea that the farm problem can be solved by cutting price supports.

President Eisenhower's farm message asked Congress to let Secretary Benson set supports at 75 to 90 percent of the actual open-market average for the last three years. If the lawmakers don't like that idea, the President said, then supports should

be allowed to range between zero and 90 percent of parity, killing the support floors now in effect for major crops. The new proposition, Eisenhower said, should apply to all crops on which the law makes price support mandatory.

For wheat, the number one farm problem, Eisenhower and Benson would reduce price supports gradually until wheat was cheap enough to compete in the feed grain market.

At that point, Benson says, all production controls could be lifted.

If Congress wants to keep wheat controls, says the Secretary, supports also should be cut, but not so sharply. In this case, Benson believes, the control program should be tightened up considerably by raising over-production penalties, eliminating the 15-acre exemption from marketing quotas, reducing allotments, and perhaps through use of bushel quotas.

Reaction in Congress indicates that most farm lawmakers are as hostile

OZONA FFA SHOW

THE OZONA FFA Livestock Show was held February 7 in Ozona, with 34 boys showing 127 lambs.

Leslie Deland, 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Deland, showed both the champion fine wool lamb and the champion crossbred lamb.

Fourteen-year-old Frank Childress, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Childress, exhibited the champion and reserve champion Rambouillet - Corriedale crossbred lambs. The lambs were from the family flock.

Champion and reserve champion shorn fine wool lambs were shown by Jim Doran, 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Doran. The lambs came from the Joe Blakeney ranches.

Muggins Good, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Good, showed the reserve champion fine wool lamb, and Jay Miller, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Miller, exhibited the reserve crossbred lamb.

Tommy Everett had the first place Angora buck kid, and Dickie Butterfield exhibited the top Angora doe kid.

Winning special awards for the biggest weight gains on two lambs each were Jay Miller, Leslie Deland, and Kenneth Deland.

Frank Childress and Leslie Deland won awards for the best fitted fine wool lamb and the best fitted crossbred lamb, respectively.

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as ever to the Eisenhower - Benson policies.

Administration tax plans for co-ops have leaders of farmer cooperatives in a stew. The Eisenhower proposal, now in legislative form, and in the hands of lawmakers, provides the following:

(1) That refunds to co-op members must be in cash, or

(2) In the form of "qualified" patronage certificates, meaning that they must bear interest of at least 4% and be redeemed in cash within three years after issue.

Co-ops which did not comply with these conditions—assuming Congress went along with the Administration plan—presumably would have to pay corporate income taxes on their margins.

Such legislation, if enacted into law, would "strike a blow" at present methods of co-op financing, says Mike Norton, Washington chief of the National Milk Producers Federation.

A minimum wage for farm labor?

President Eisenhower's cabinet secretary for labor, James P. Mitchell, says he is for the idea, although he hasn't spelled out the details. The Administration labor chief revealed recently that he has some experts in his department who are now making a detailed study of farm labor wages—and who are to come up with some conclusions as to what would happen if a minimum wage law for farmers were enacted.

Pushing the idea of a minimum wage for farmers is the National Advisory Committee on Farm Labor, a group that includes Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt.

How Benson stands on the issue is not yet clear. At a recent meeting in Washington where Mitchell spoke up for the minimum wage, Mr. Benson also spoke. But the Agriculture Secretary said nothing about a wage floor for agriculture.

Assumption of farm leaders here is that Benson will be against the idea, at least until such time as he may get orders from the White House to the contrary.

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THE TEXAS International Wool and Mohair Show at San Antonio was an exceptionally good one this year, unusually so, considering its youth, and the difficulties which always confront an undertaking involving so many people. However, this fleece show, we believe, will attract mounting attention and will develop to be one of the premier exhibits of its kind.

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In a brochure prepared for the show, the objectives of the Texas International are outlined as follows: The purpose of Texas International Wool and Mohair Show is to encourage the production of better wool and mohair; to promote better methods of handling and preparation for market; to enable growers to become more familiar with the different grades of wool and mohair, and to increase the public appreciation of products made of wool and mohair.

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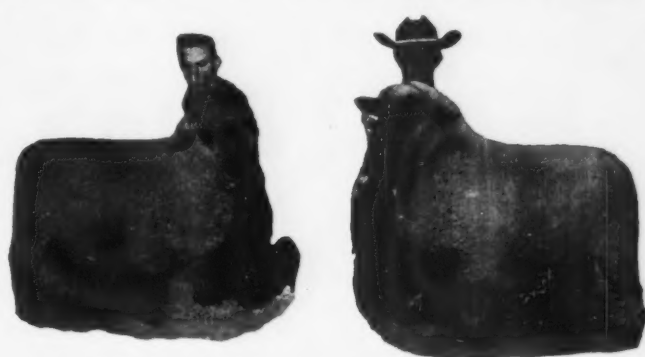
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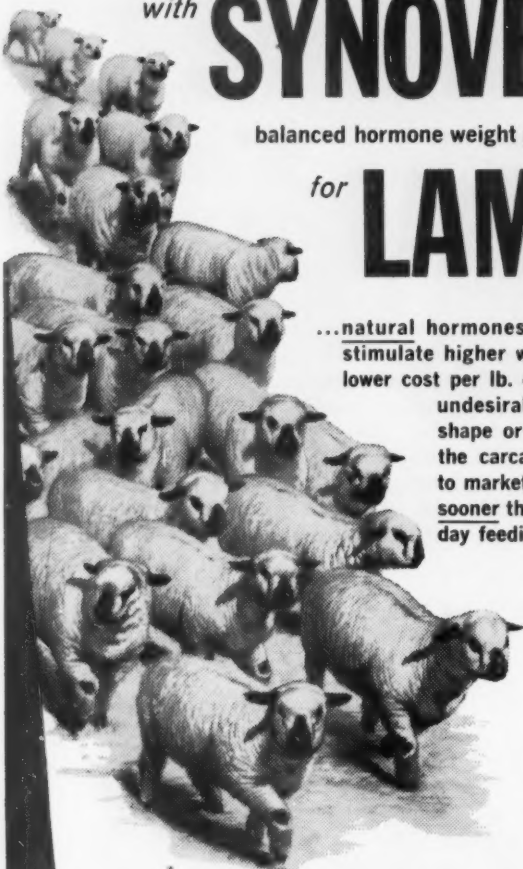
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WHAT MAY BE AHEAD . . .

Can Agriculture Afford Unionized Farm Labor?

HIGHER LABOR COSTS AND CONTROLS MEAN RUIN FOR MANY OF TODAY'S FARMERS

THE THREAT to agriculture of organized labor leaders to unionize agricultural labor was never more serious. The impact of some of the planned programs of union organizers upon the ranch industry and many other segments of agriculture would be ruinous.

The methods of gaining control in agriculture and in other industries as well are devious, well financed and carefully planned. One phase of a controlled acquisition is outlined by pink-hued James Roosevelt, Congressman of California, who says:

"My . . . bill . . . deals with an issue of paramount significance to our own people and to the prestige of democracy throughout the world. . . .

"We have created a permanent depressed class in our working force. Whereas, one group of American workers enjoys a wage structure based on such minimum rates as \$2.07 an hour . . . or \$2.01 . . . or \$2.12 . . . and is protected against rising prices by escalator clauses and receives additional benefits such as pensions and social insurance, another group is condemned to wages of \$1 or even less. . . .

"The plight of these unfortunate Americans — these forgotten people, who year after year have failed to share in our national progress—is not only a challenge to our conscience, but a threat to economic welfare of us all. . . .

"Our most powerful answer to communism, among the underdeveloped peoples, is our own way of life—the fact that our free society has also produced the highest living standard in the world.

"While we have in our own midst a depressed class numbering millions . . . our cause is immeasurably weakened. . . .

"We propose to increase the minimum wage to \$1.25. This is surely a modest figure; it is barely more than half the average earnings of industrial workers as a whole, including the lowest paid group.

"Second, we propose to include some seven million additional workers under the law's protection — seven million out of the 20 million presently excluded."

In one paragraph, Mr. Roosevelt implies that all American workers not "protected" by the federal minimum wage are a "depressed class" of "forgotten people." In another, he says that America's "industrial workers as a whole" already make twice the minimum wage that his law would prescribe.

But there's no point in trying to understand such people as James Roosevelt.

Using the theme of Communists, the nation is being propagandized by the do-gooders, the deluded, the Socialists and the outright Communist element in support of a proposed minimum wage law at the iron-bound figure of \$1.25 per hour, under the reasoning that any worker receiving less is "prostrated with poverty," "depressed," "discriminated against," "enslaved and exploited." However, actually the minimum wage movement is merely another phase of the overall plan for easier socialization; to enable union bosses to stifle any individualism; to prevent industries from moving from one area where the business climate or the labor situation is more favorable to private operation and to bring to the union coffers countless more millions of dollars, the spending of which the unions themselves have admitted to a wasteful, scandalous extravagance, corruption, and even unbelievable criminality.

Over a year ago the National Sharecropper Fund appointed a national advisory committee on farm labor. It is readily apparent that few in the Fund organization or on the committee are overly familiar with agriculture or farm labor or the people who employ farm labor. Rather, it would seem, that this committee is composed of a motley assortment of experts, do-gooders, race rabble rousers and genuine, worthy people in their own field. Apparently they were chosen carefully because of their known concepts of how and for whom this country should be managed. The members of this committee are:

*Dr. Frank P. Graham, former U. S. Senator from North Carolina; *A. Philip Randolph, AFL-CIO Vice President and President of Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters; *Dr. John A. Mackay, President, Princeton Theological Seminary; *William S. Batt, Jr., Secretary of Labor and Commerce of the State of Pennsylvania; *Dr. Louis H. Bean, Economic Analyst; *Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt; *Norman Thomas, many-times candidate of the Socialist Party for U. S. President; Dr. Edwin T. Dahlberg, President National Council of Churches; *Dr. L. H. Foster, President, Tuskegee Institute; Rabbi Roland B. Gittelsohn, Temple Israel, Boston; *Very Rev. Msgr. George C. Higgins, Director, Social Action Dept., National Catholic Welfare Conference; *Robert W. Hudgens, former Associate Admin. Farm Security Agency; Dr. Clark Kerr, President, University of California; Herbert L. Lehman, former U. S. Senator from New York; Isidor Lubin, Industrial Commissioner, State of New York; Most Rev. Robert E. Lucey, Archbishop of San Antonio; Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, President, Morehouse College; Dr.

Peter H. Odegard, University of California; Dr. Maurice T. Van Hocke, University of North Carolina. (* Present at meeting.)

This panel met in the Mayflower Hotel, Washington, D. C., on February 5-6. According to our report, the meeting was a travesty upon fair play and justice.

One name on the list of those who are looking out after the "poor, down-trodden laborer" was the renowned Norman Thomas who admits being a Socialist and does not parade around under the political label of Democrat in order to further his objective of changing the United States Constitution to fit the socialistic pattern.

It is more understandable, then, why the hearings were carried on as they were and the results were exactly as planned. It is the program announced that is alarming—and the strength behind it.

The hearings were attended by about 250 people. About 400 attended the banquet. A great deal of preliminary staff work had been done preparatory to the meeting. Large amounts of material on the farm labor situation were available. Large charts and pictures were displayed. The program included motion pictures and dramatizations (narrated by Helen G.

HAVE JET . . . WOOL TRAVEL

SOARING SERENELY above the earth at 600 miles an hour on the night of January 15, 200 fashion and women's page editors from coast-to-coast saw the first fashion show ever staged aloft in a jet airliner. "Have Jet — Wool Travel," a coordinated travel collection for early summer, 1959, was presented to the press by the Wool Bureau and American Airlines.

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"Have Jet — Wool Travel" dramatizes "the need for a sensible wardrobe selection in a day when travel coast to coast becomes commonplace," Max F. Schmitt, Wool Bureau president, said at ceremonies preceding the flight.

The basic jet wardrobe, The Wool Bureau asserts, must be lightweight, all-occasion, and easily cared for—all answered by wool.

Douglas). Although stated to be "fact-finding" hearing, the facts were apparently carefully pre-selected, and most of those in attendance had their minds pretty much made up as to what the facts are and what policies they favored. Apparently every effort had been made to bring witnesses to the hearing who could testify with respect to the "deplorable" conditions in their respective areas. Much of this testimony was inaccurate and all of it gave a distorted, one-sided picture. John Aucherman, representing a California farmers association, challenged the accuracy of testimony presented relative to conditions in his area.

The purpose of the hearing is believed to be a national kickoff for: (1) A program to organize farm workers. (2) A legislative program to extend the right of collective bargaining, federal wage regulation and other "protective" legislation to farm workers. Supplemental purposes were to tighten up the administration of and to reduce the scope of (or eliminate entirely) the foreign labor importation program, and to use these programs and other devices to institute regulation of wages, hours, transportation and other working conditions of domestic farm workers.

What appeared to be the most significant presentations are summarized below:

William F. Schnitzler, AFL-CIO Secretary-Treasurer. This might be regarded as the "keynote" address although not given until the closing session:

"For this is the most shocking story of our time. It is no exaggeration to say that the exploitation of human labor on many of the corporate farms of our country today is as horrifying and degrading as the sweatshop conditions that prevailed in most American factories at the turn of the century.

"Obviously, two types of legislation are needed. One, establishing strict controls over the importation of farm labor; and two, providing economic and social safeguards for American farm workers, whether permanent employees or migrants, including the right to join unions of their own choice.

"A vital first step towards that victory is better organization of the farm workers. If they get together and stick together, they've got a fighting chance no matter how powerful the opposition.

"Naturally, we do not expect the National Agricultural Workers Union to carry out this heavy assignment entirely on its own power. I am happy to report that after some months of study and consultation, we have formulated a program for an organizational campaign among workers employed on the large corporate farms and it will be submitted for approval to the next meeting of the Executive Council of the AFL-CIO less than two weeks from now."

(Editor's note: The term corporate or corporation farms was used throughout the meeting to describe virtually any farm operation which employed a substantial number of workers at any time during the year.)

James P. Mitchell, Secretary of Labor, was banquet speaker. Key excerpts:

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The Cattle Situation

By ELMER KELTON



THE WEST Texas cattle scene saw a big flurry of fall calf contracts and some yearling contracts early in February, but by the end of the month it had pretty well died down again. Moreover, cattle markets were showing a weaker tone.

Several thousand calves were contracted for fall delivery in what was said to be the earliest contracting in many years. Prices on many top calves, especially Angus, went to 33 cents on heifers, 35 cents on steers. There was considerable activity in many of the reputation strings of cattle. However, not everybody was buying. Some top buyers of past years held back, shaking their heads.

For whatever it is worth, it appeared that ranchmen who received the offers were doing less horse-trading than usual. They seemed generally content to sign up before the buyer had a chance to back out.

Yearling cattle also were being contracted, these mostly for May or early June. An average going price on good quality cattle was about 30 cents for heifers, 32 for steers. A good many were tied up in the Mason, Llano and

San Saba areas at these kinds of prices.

There seemed to be somewhat less trading in cows during February. It was an in-between time. A stockman who has waited that long to buy usually had just as soon wait until spring and not chance having to feed them. The seller who really wanted to turn them loose, on the other hand, would have done so before February because he wouldn't want to risk having to feed them, either.

The Angelo Area Angus Producers Calf Pool, organized to try to sell members' black calves in one transaction, did not accept the bids offered it on February 11, the day set for opening of sealed bids.

At auction here, cattle markets turned weaker, with heavy steers and fed cattle dropping in the main about \$1 cwt. toward the end of the month. Here's a typical report: Fat bulls, \$22 to \$24 cwt.; medium, \$19 to \$22; fat calves and yearlings, \$24 to \$28; mediums, \$22 to \$24; plain kinds, \$18 to \$22; fat cows, \$17 to \$20; canners and cutters, \$11 to \$17; stocker steers, \$21 to \$32; stocker heifers, \$21 to \$31; stocker cows, \$16 to \$20; cows and calves, \$175 to \$250 per pair.

A decline in fat cattle prices in the east worried a lot of feeders and probably caused the cessation of fall calf contracts. Central markets reported a "wait and see" attitude on the part of feeders, bringing down feeder replacement prices.

This decline carried down into auction markets. In some quarters there were the usual doomsday predictions. In others there were gentle reminders that the market usually goes to pot about this time of year. It normally picks up later. Last year was one of the few which didn't have a serious decline in either January or February. In fact, last year they just seemed to take a deep breath and climb a little higher.

Market experts continued to warn that the increase in cattle numbers must inevitably lead to a decline in prices. Some look for it this fall, some say perhaps not for another year or more.

Although not denying that cattle numbers are at an all-time high, the American National Cattlemen's Association pointed out that the rate of increase last year was far slower than that experienced before the last big break. Cattle numbers increased about 3½ million in 1958. In both 1951 and 1952, they climbed six million a year. The National makes a point that population is higher now than ever before and that there is a need for more beef than there was when the 1952 break came. So the association concedes on the one hand that there is cause for worry, but maintains on the

other that it may not be so bad as many think.

For those Texans who deal in Mexican cattle, there was reason for some extra gray hair in February. The Mexican government suddenly quadrupled its export duties on lightweight cattle, tripled them on heavier kinds. It was frank about the reason: to curtail exports and protect the beef supplies in the interior of the country.

The result was an immediate halt to all border trading while cattlemen waited to see what the outcome would be. Mexican cowmen in the border states hopped on a train and went to Mexico City, where they got promise of some relief. Thousands of Mexican cattle were under contract but not yet delivered across the Rio Grande. Some of these were in the hands of Mexicans, some Americans. Either way, the duties would mean a loss of some five cents a pound to somebody.

On cattle up to 550 pounds, the new duties totaled \$6.64 cwt., compared with \$1.69 before. On those over 550 pounds, duty was \$3.77, compared with the earlier \$1.35.

For days before the duty increase, border trade hummed with rumors that something was about to happen. First development was a railroad embargo against shipments of cattle from the interior to the border. First reason given was that an undisclosed cattle disease had broken out.

But there was no beating about the bush on the reason for the higher duties: more beef at a lower price for consumers in the heart of Mexico, said the Mexican government. Exports to the United States were draining Mexico of beef and raising the price exorbitantly on those cattle which remained, it added.

Not all the worries came from Mexico, either. An outbreak of cattle scabies in two Panhandle counties caused California to place restrictions on import of Texas cattle. California said it would refuse to import Texas cattle without permits, health certificates and official documents stating that the cattle had been dipped at a public stockyards.

Days later Arizona followed with the same restrictions.

California and Arizona feedlots get the bulk of Brahman-type cattle from South Texas and the Winter Garden. They also get a good many Texas-pastured Mexican cattle and part of the well-bred native Hereford and Angus, too.

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Mohair and Wool Activity Spurs

MOHAIR SHOWED increasing activity in February, ending the month with quotations current at figures ranging up to \$1.36½ per pound for choice kid hair and \$1.01½ per pound for adult hair. Newspaper reports indicated that the top mohair prices were for sales in Lampasas and Uvalde areas.

At the end of the month, Emery, Russell & Goodrich, Boston, were reported to have purchased 125,000 pounds of mohair from the Uvalde Wool and Mohair Company at the top figure for the month. In addition, Horner's Warehouse and Schwartz

Warehouse of the same town reported they contracted mohair at the top figures.

Mohair buyers in the field included Al Dishman, buyer for Emery, Russell & Goodrich; Louie Ragland, Junction, and Al Fields, Lampasas, for Collins & Rowbotham, Boston; C. J. Webre, Jr., San Angelo, for Forte, Dupee, Sawyer Co.; Son Drake, San Angelo, for Munro, Kincaid, Motla, Boston; Clyde Young, Lampasas; Blanks Oglesby, San Angelo, for Lobsitz Mills, Nutley, N. J., and Bevie DeMerville, San Angelo.

Another sale of mohair reported in February was 100,000 pounds at Sonora Wool and Mohair Company at 86½ cents for adult and \$1.16½ for kid.

More than one-half million pounds of mohair has been contracted by the two warehouses in Del Rio, Del Rio Wool and Mohair Company and Producers Wool and Mohair Company, and a similar amount is estimated to have been contracted by the warehouse system of Hollis Blackwell, who branches at Goldthwaite, Stephenville, Kerrville, and Brownwood, with none or little of the hair coming from the latter warehouse.

Upwards of 200,000 pounds of mohair was reported contracted by John T. Williams of the Sanderson Wool Commission Company, Sanderson; also contracts of mohair in varying amounts have been reported by Eldorado Wool Company; Sonora Wool and Mohair Company; West Texas Wool and Mohair Association, Mertzon; the Ozona Wool Company of Ozona; Wool Growers Central Storage Company, Joe B. Blakeney Warehouse, and Western Wool and Mohair Company, all of San Angelo.

Some estimate that around 95 percent or more of the mohair clip of the 1959 spring clip, estimated to be approximately 10-12 million pounds, has been contracted. Prices will exceed the average price paid for mohair last year. Already recent contracts far exceed those of the past year, which is believed to be 81½ cents per pound for adult hair and \$1.11½ per pound for kid hair received by the Ranchman's Wool and Mohair Commission House at Ingram in the sale of one-half million pounds of fall hair.

The strength of the mohair market has been reflected in the strongly increasing number of goats in Texas. Today there are more than 3,093,000 head of Angora goats in the state, according to U. S. Department of Agriculture report of January 1. This is approximately eight percent more than last year at that time. The value of Texas Angora goats is approximately 26 million and for the first time in history the number of Angora goats is approaching the number of sheep in Texas—roughly three goats for each four sheep.

Not only have good ranch conditions spurred the growth in numbers of Angora goats but the market has been reinforced by a rather astonishing demand originating in England and the Continent and today the bulk of domestic-produced mohair is going abroad. What this will do to domestic market which has shown increasing strength in recent months is not known. A number of growers have expressed concern over what might happen to mohair should the market abroad suddenly disappear.

Wool

While cold weather has not helped shearing of goats or clipping of sheep, most ranchmen have hopes that shearing will be over earlier this year than last.

Most wool has moved out of Texas warehouses with only a scattering of old clips remaining, which is a relief to everyone as the carryover in the past three or four years has been above normal.

Scattering sales have been reported throughout February. About 7,000 pounds were sold by the Joe Blakeney Warehouse in San Angelo at 36½ to 41½ cents a pound to Bill Fields Wool Company of Sonora. About 150,000 pounds of 12-months wool were sold out of the Sonora Wool and Mohair Company at 42 to 48½ cents a pound to C. J. Webre, Jr., San Angelo, of Forte, Dupee, Sawyer Company, Boston.

Some three or four cars of fall wool went to George Allison of the Colonial Wool Company.

Practically all buyers operating in (Continued on page 48A)

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"It is my conviction that the migrant farm worker will never take his place as a fully useful citizen, and never be able to successfully resist exploitation, until, first, Federal legislation guarantees him a decent minimum wage upon which he can build a decent and independent life; second, unless he has fairly continuous employment; third, until he receives the equal protection of all Federal and State laws, such as enforced housing codes, enforced safety codes, accessible health services, and protection for his person in the form of compensation for injury and unemployment.

"It is true that I can stand here all night and repeat that without anything ever coming of it—but I intend that something does come of it.

"The greatest need at the moment is for an accurate and complete ap-

praisal of the entire wage and hour question in agriculture. I have therefore given instructions for such a study to start and it is now under way. For example, one of the things I think is badly needed is legislation to make mandatory the registration of migrant crew leaders."

Daniel L. Goldie, Assistant Commissioner of Labor in New Jersey, who has previously served as regional director U.S.E.S. in N.E. and N.W. regions, made a statement which the Committee seemed to consider most significant, perhaps because he was more explicit than most witnesses. He said that while there is no substitute for union organization of farm workers and that minimum wage regulation is very much needed — that there is much that can be done under present legislation (PL 78, Immigration Act, and Wagner-Peyser Act setting up Federal-State employment service) and urged action as follows:

1. Return responsibility for recruiting workers to farmers. Employment Service should assist farmers but should stop assuming it has responsibility for finding workers and should expect farmers to do a lot more than they have done to get workers—including recruitment in and payment of transportation from other areas, offering satisfactory housing and wages, etc.

2. U.S.E.S. should restrict its services to farmers who are meeting housing and wage standards.

3. Tighten administration of foreign importation programs, cut down on numbers, so as to reduce adverse effect of program on domestic workers. Domestic workers should always have first preference on any job, even if this means sending foreign workers home.

4. Other foreign workers should have some protection as in Mexican labor contract.

5. Labor contractors should be licensed and held to a high standard of performance as condition of continued licensing.

Matt Triggs, American Farm Bureau, who had been specifically requested to appear on the program, presented a statement in opposition to federal minimum wage for farm workers and collective bargaining in agriculture, and in support of the foreign labor importation programs.

Reuben Johnson, National Farmers Union, presented a statement sup-

porting the general objectives of the meeting, and recommending that farm labor should have identically the same wage protections available to other workers. In response to a question, Mr. Johnson said that Farmers Union favors union organization of farm workers and collective bargaining.

Mexican Labor Users Resolution

In a recent meeting this resolution was adopted by the National Mexican Labor Users, unanimously adopted by the Mexican Sub-Committee and recommended to Department of Labor.

In view of the report of the meeting held in Washington early in February it is hardly likely that much attention will be given this resolution or that the socialistic trend toward control and union domination in this country will be halted or slowed.

It seems true that so few people are left in this country to even try to cherish those freedoms of the original constitution or interested enough to protest to congress the usurpation of authority by the semi-reds and impractical do-gooders. Emphatic protest is the only recourse.

The resolution:

We are opposed to the issuance of both Parts 1 and 2 of the "Proposed Standards for Job Orders Placed in Interarea Recruitment and the Additional Standards Applicable to the Certification of Foreign Seasonal Agricultural Workers," dated February 7, 1959, or revisions thereof, as prepared by the Department of Labor.

We challenge the propriety and legality of the means by which such regulations are proposed to be instituted.

We do not believe that Congress anticipated or intended that the Wagner-Peyser Act or Public Law 78 or the general immigration statutes should ever be used for the purpose of regulating domestic farm employment. Congress has consistently rejected any specific proposals for federal regulation of farm worker wages, housing and transportation (other than safety measures).

We are opposed to using obscure sections of a 26-year-old statute designed to provide a service to farmers as the basis to accomplish what Congress has consistently refused to authorize in specific terms.

In our opinion, the regulations issued pursuant to provisions of the Wagner-Peyser Act should be solely limited to those matters which deal with the establishment and maintenance of a public employment service.

We submit that only Congress or the states can properly enact statutes that affect so vitally the welfare of those who are engaged in agriculture.

We believe that the primary responsibilities for action in some of the fields included in the proposed regulations are responsibilities that should be assumed by state rather than federal government.

RUTTLE JOINS NMSU EXTENSION ANIMAL HUSBANDRY STAFF

JACK L. RUTTLE of San Angelo, Texas, has been named sheep and wool marketing specialist with the New Mexico State University Agricultural Extension Service.

Ruttle is an addition to the extension animal husbandry staff and his duties will be chiefly concerned with the marketing of lambs and wool.

J. Richard Stauder, who previously performed this work, has been named extension sheep specialist and will devote full time to breeding and production problems of sheep.

Ruttle served as graduate assistant in sheep and wool production with New Mexico State University from 1955 to 1957 while working on his masters degree.

The animal husbandman attended San Angelo College one and a half years, majoring in animal husbandry and later obtained his B.S. degree in

this subject from Sul Ross State College, Alpine, Texas.

For the past one and a half years he has been connected with Agricultural Research Service's Southwest Sheep and Wool Research Laboratory, at Fort Wingate, N. M.

A veteran of two years in the U. S. Army, Ruttle is married and has one child. He resides in Las Cruces.

The amount of wool produced in 1958, shorn and pulled, totaled 271 million pounds grease basis, up one percent from 1957 and the same as the 1947-56 average. A total of 29.6 million head of sheep and lambs were shorn in 1958, four percent more than in 1957 and six percent more than average. The weight per fleece last year was 8.15 pounds, compared with 8.25 pounds in 1957 and the record high of 8.55 in 1955.

What's New

IRA GREEN ANNOUNCES NEW SCREW WORM REMEDY

IRA GREEN of Ira Green Stock Medicine Company, San Angelo, Texas, a veteran in the business of formulating products for livestock health, has on the market a new product called Cosulox. This product, according to Mr. Green, has been thoroughly tested and has met with an astonishingly favorable reception among the ranchmen who have tested it.

This new screw worm killer consists of a formulation of Coral, sulfanilamide, zinc oxide, jewel oil and emulsifier.

Cosulox was used in Del Rio early last year during the height of the screw worm season on 200 head of grown cattle during dehorning and the ranchmen reported that not one screw worm case resulted in the dehorning operation where Cosulox was used.

Several wool warehousemen in the West Texas area who are also ranchmen tested the product and are recommending it highly, according to Mr. Green.

Wool and Mohair

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Texas have been picking up odd lots of the remaining clips.

Most authorities look for wool to stay in about the same price range with gradual improvement in price. Some believe that it has gone several cents too low and anticipate rather immediate improvements.

Increased imports of both raw wool and wool goods, together with the new clip, has a depressing influence but this is countered by evidence of increased mill demand, both in this county and abroad.

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Del Rio Show

THE 18th annual Val Verde County lamb show, featuring 235 sheep, was held in a cold, wet drizzle, but the spirits of both the exhibitors and spectators were high and the show was a good one. Hadley Wardlaw showed the champion fine wool lamb and Don Bowers reserve champion.

The lamb show was fully up to par but the breeding sheep show,

which was so well liked in past years, was missed this year.

A note of sadness tinged the event as spectators and participants paid tribute to the late Tom Miller, whose community efforts and unselfish contributions to youth work in Val Verde County will be sadly missed. Mr. Miller, a life insurance executive, died suddenly early this year.

Development of The Angora Buck

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we have tried to make every inch of the skin produce mohair there was not much damage from blowflies. A goat clothed with such a mass of thick, close, fine mohair, accompanied by an increased amount of yolk in the fleece, and covering the entire skin area, with the exception of the nose, eyes, ears, and below the knees, furnishes a better place for urine to collect, and provides extra feed for the maggots. Wet or filthy places in the fleece are usually due to urine collecting in an area near the penis or vulva. In the doe the mohair on the rear of her legs, under the tail, and on under the udder is a good urine-collecting place. The wetness may cause chafing below the vulva, which in turn may cause pus or a small amount of viscous fluid to appear. The area around the penis of the buck kid often is heavily covered with mohair and gets dirty, due to soil and the urine collecting in this area. All of these places are good areas for the blowfly to lay its eggs and later the screwworm fly when blood appears.

Light tagging around the penis of the buck kid and the back of the hind legs of the doe in the summer will lessen the danger of this worm trouble.

Shearing Induces More Screwworm Infestations

After shearing in the summer there is usually a greater number of screwworm infestations, due to cuts in the skin by the shearer. These may be lessened by the shearer applying some kind of repellent to the cut. It should be his duty and is more easily done effectively by him since he will remember each cut made. Late summer and early fall bring on a period of rainy weather which slightly delays healing of wounds by keeping them moist. These wounds may be horn cuts, shearing cuts, or very minute scratches no larger than a small pinhead, that are kept moist and make an ideal place for fly eggs to be laid and hatch.

A product called CO-RAL was placed on the market last summer which is designed to keep down screwworm infestations when used as a spray. Ordinary sprays and dips being employed for lice and tick control

tend to lessen screwworm troubles, since they repel the flies for a short period of time after being applied.

After shearing, the does and kids should be penned at least twice each week and a count made. Those absent may have sought refuge in a dark place to get away from the flies and already have a small screwworm infestation started. When penned, the symptoms of infection are not hard to detect. The infected animal will stomp his feet, bite at the wound unless it is in the head, run with its head lowered, and hunt a dark or shady place. If the pasture or field where the does and buck kids are run during the summer has a shed or bluff with a cave in it, constant checks for infected animals should be made of these places.

BALLINGER SHOW

JEROME SMITHWICK, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Smithwick of Miles, took the majority of the honors at the Ballinger FFA and 4-H Livestock Show, February 14.

Young Smithwick had five champions, four reserve champions, a first place, a second place, and a third place with his Southdown and crossbred sheep which he had raised himself. His winners included champion heavyweight fine wool lamb, champion medium wool heavyweight lamb, champion Southdown and Southdown crossbred lightweight lamb, champion Southdown ewe lamb. His reserve champions were in the following classes: Heavyweight fine wool crossbred, lightweight fine wool, lightweight Southdown and Southdown crossbred, and Southdown ewe lamb.

Ranch country around Vaughn in New Mexico is said to be in the best condition in eight or ten years. Good season in ground.

A breeding sheep sale is planned for Brackettville later this year. Last year's sale was well received.

Alfred Herbst of Boerne is doing some work toward getting new members of the Association. He also turned in subscriptions for his friends, Archie Gerfers and Frank Sultenfuss, Jr., of Boerne, which is appreciated.

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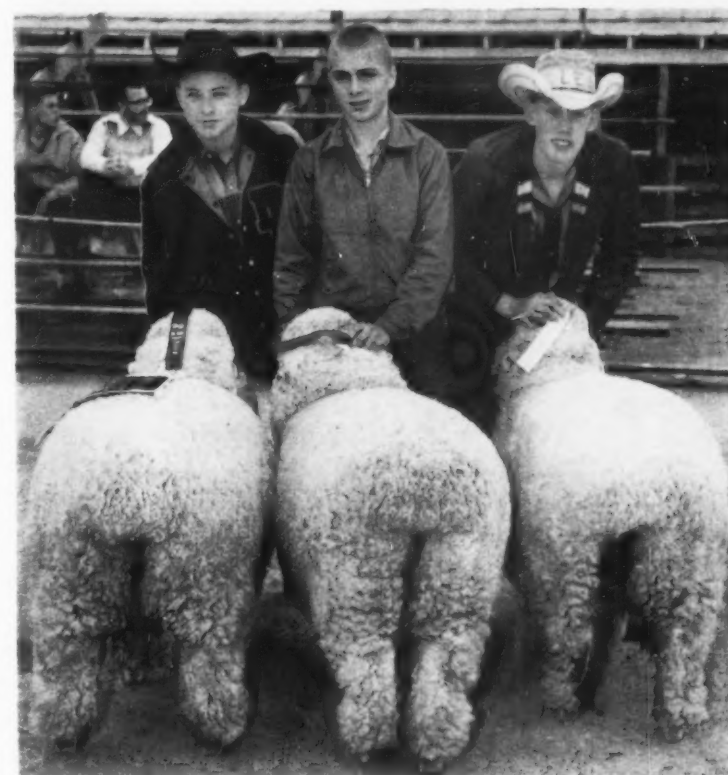
HADLEY WARDLAW HAS CHAMPION LAMB

On the left is the fine wool lamb champion of Hadley Wardlaw, bred by Wardlaw Brothers. On the right is Don Bowers with his reserve champion bred by Earl Bowers.



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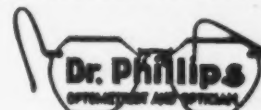
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New Mexico	1,162	1,056	36	35	1,295	1,214
Oklahoma	3,313	2,958	458	347	281	248
Texas	8,510	7,736	1,226	908	5,355	4,891
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SOURCE: U. S. Department of Agriculture. The number of goats in Texas at the beginning of 1959 is estimated at 3.1 million head, or 8% above the year-earlier figure.

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Dick Blume, an associate Kerr County Agent for the past four years, has resigned to become effective on March 1.

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GLENN ARMENTROUT, Armentrout and Donley, Norborne, Missouri, and Plano, Texas, sold a choice stud Hampshire ram over the telephone while he was at the San Antonio show. The ram was champion at Kansas, Missouri, Louisiana, and Oklahoma State Fairs and numerous other shows. The yearling ram was sold to A. W. Bagley of Salem, Oregon, for \$1,000.

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SCHLEICHER COUNTY SHOW

JOHN MCGREGOR, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter S. McGregor, showed the champion single lamb and the champion pair of lambs at the Schleicher County Livestock Show in Eldorado on January 31. The lambs were bred by J. F. Webster of Fort McKavett and W. S. McGregor.

Exhibiting the reserve champion single lamb and the reserve champion pair of lambs was 12-year-old Danny Burk, son of Eldorado agriculture teacher, Oliver Burk. Breeders of the lambs were E. S. Mayer & Sons of Sonora and W. J. Burrus of Eldorado.

Corky Hodges won the showmanship award. Judge for the show was R. H. Rock, San Angelo buyer for Swift and Company.

Top winners in the show included: Best Fitted Lamb — 1st, Kenneth Hicks.

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WORLD PRODUCTION OF MOHAIR IS LEVELING OFF

WORLD MOHAIR production declined to 43 million pounds in 1958, after increasing from an estimated 35 million pounds, grease basis, in 1952 to 44 million in 1956. On a clean basis, world output would be about four-fifths of these totals. The outlook for 1959 indicates little change from this year's levels. Mohair production may increase slightly in Turkey and South Africa. Little change is forecast for the United States. World production increased sharply between 1952 and 1956 and reached record levels in the latter year. Increased demand and relatively high prices spurred sharp increases in Turkey and the United States during this period. In South Africa the trend was upward, but more erratic. Imports of mohair into the United Kingdom at 19 million pounds in 1957 were the same as a year earlier but two and one-half times as large as in 1952. Imports during the first nine months of 1958 were running about 60 percent of a year earlier.

Source: Foreign Crops and Markets—January 29, 1959.

Therrell Rose, Del Rio Rambouillet breeder, was an interested spectator at the fine Rambouillet show in San Antonio. He formerly was a competitor but is now taking it easy. "I'll have some rams for the Rambouillet sale this summer." He says sheep in his area are doing fine.

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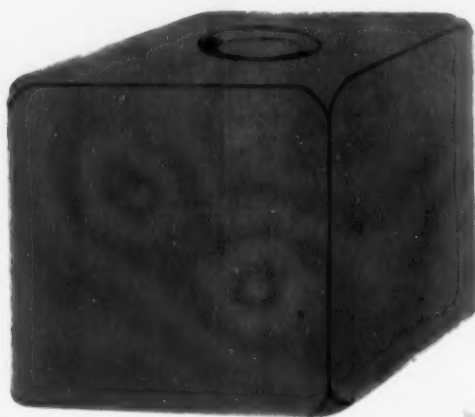
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